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HOOVER DECLINES TO TAKE FURTHER ACTION ON DEBT ISSUE

HIGH OFFICERS INDICTED BY NANTAO COURT

China Merchants S.N. Co.
Case Proceeds.

BIG BANK DEPOSITS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, To-day.

A sensation was created here when the Nantao Court announced the indictment of Marquis Li and Chen Fu-mu, deposed manager and superintendent respectively of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co., held on charges arising out of agreements with the China Realty Company.

Five local Chinese banks allegedly have received deposits of 700,000 taels from Chen, equivalent to the sum paid for sanctioning the agreements.

Chen also is alleged to have deposited money under several fictitious names.

The court charges both men with unfaithfulness in the execution of their duties and infringement of Chinese navigation rights.

Marquis Li is still in hospital awaiting the trial. Chen's movements so far are a mystery.

WETS CONTINUE EFFORTS FOR MODIFICATION

Bill To Legalize 2.75 Per
Cent. Beer.

BUSY IN SENATE.

Washington.—Undismayed by the defeat of the repeal resolution in the House, "Wets" in congress are continuing their efforts for modification and repeal of prohibition.

Congressman W. Collier of Mississippi announced that he would introduce a modification bill to permit beer of an alcoholic content of 2.75 per cent. by weight, and naturally fermented wines.

Meanwhile wets were also at work in the Senate. The Senate voted to refer a resubmission amendment drafted by Senator Carter Glass to the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Senator Millard E. Tydings of Maryland also proposed an amendment to legalize light wines and beer.

Speaker-of-the-House, Mr. John N. Garner, blamed the "lame duck votes" for the failure of his unqualified prohibition repeal amendment to pass the house by the necessary two-thirds majority.

He said he was satisfied his course in forcing an immediate decision on repeal had been for the best and he "would do the same thing over again."

Mitchell Urges Action at Once.

Washington.
Attorney General William D. Mitchell exhorted congress to change the national prohibition laws at once, if it is going to change them at all.

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FOUR KILLED IN DERAILMENT.

Twelve Injured In French Mishap.

Perpignan, To-day.

Four persons were instantly killed and 12 others were gravely injured when a local train was derailed near here yesterday.

The cause of the accident is not known.

The injured were rushed to this city, historic resting place of kings and culture.—Reuter.



The Great Unemployed Demonstration at Trafalgar Square.—Serious disorder was again caused by the hooligan element amongst the crowd of nearly 15,000 people at the "hunger-march" rally in Trafalgar Square. A large force of foot and mounted police restored order after several arrests had been made.—(S. & G.)

VIVID STORY OF CABARET FIGHT TOLD

European Knocked Unconscious.

GIRL WIELDS TEA-POT.

A full and authentic account of the brawl at the Majestic Dancing Academy on Thursday night was revealed to a "China Mail" reporter yesterday by one who took an active part in the proceedings. He describes the whole affair as a deliberate attempt to bring the Academy into disrepute by a gang of young Chinese.

Describing the events of the night, our informant said that he arrived, together with two other Europeans, at about 9.15 p.m. and took a seat just inside the door. They had scarcely seated themselves when they noticed that the dancers were stopping and looking through the doorway.

He himself went to see what was happening, and saw a crowd of about 30 Chinese youths collected inside the lobby, having an heated conversation with the assistant manager and a Filipino clerk.

Advised To Retire.

The assistant manager advised him to sit down, which he did after telling his two companions the reason for the stir.

The argument grew more heated, and he again made his way to where the assistant manager was standing. He was again advised to keep out of the scene, and several of the Chinese youth gave the same advice. Turning to go back to his seat, he felt a blow on the back of the head. He turned but could not identify the man responsible, and bearing in mind the assistant manager's warning, he walked on.

A Second Blow.

He was struck again. Turning sharply, he caught the aggressor in the act of retiring, and with a swift blow, knocked him down. He was immediately seized by several Chinese, who tried to

NEW YORK MARKET LISTLESS.

Small Business Done Yesterday.

New York, To-day.

The New York Stock Market is still within the narrow trading range, according to Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company, whose report states: "All the market did yesterday was to give additional evidence that it is still in a narrow trading range. Probably something more than is now evident will be necessary to push it out on either side."

Industrials, rails, utilities and bonds showed a slight downward trend, the decline being most marked in industrials, which declined from 62.16 to 60.52.

Business done was small, only 210 shares changing hands.—Reuter.

STERLING STRENGTHENS IN ALL CENTRES.

Favourable Movement After Debt Payment.

London, To-day.

Sterling strengthened yesterday on all centres. The New York rate closed at \$3.30% as compared with \$3.28% on Thursday night.

City comment attributes the continued favourable movement to the influence of yesterday's payment and the indication that no immediate increase in fiduciary issue is intended or will be necessary.

There was considerable buying on French demand.—British Wireless Service.

Press Praises Chancellor

Herr Von Schleicher's Conciliatory Policy.

Berlin, To-day.

General Von Schleicher's broadcast yesterday has had good comments from the press on the whole, only Nazi and Communist journals denouncing it.

Papers of the right and centre find the Chancellor exceedingly conciliatory in his statement of policy, which will tend to ease still further the political situation.

General Von Schleicher is in virtually the same position in which the former Chancellor von Papen found himself in the Reichstag, without a majority to support him.

The Nazis might have formed the nucleus of a cabinet had Herr Hitler accepted the nomination for chancellor, but he declined it because of the conditions on which it was offered. It was his refusal which caused reports of a serious breach in the party.—Reuter.

DOLLAR REMAINS UNCHANGED.

Silver Declines As Sterling Improves.

The local dollar remained unchanged this morning, opening at 1/8%.

Silver declined, the forward price standing at 17 this morning as against 17-1/8 yesterday, while spot silver showed a drop of 1/4 on yesterday's price, opening today at 17.

The London on New York cross rate opened this morning at \$-G48.30% with the New York on London rate at \$-G48.30%.

It is learned that an increase of 20 cents will be made in Third Class fares on the Canton-Kowloon Railway. The old rate of \$1.40 will cease on January 1, 1933, when \$1.60 will be charged.

PAUL BONCOUR TRIES TO FORM A GOVERNMENT

Radical Reports His Failure.

M. HERRIOT ADAMANT.

Paris, To-day.

M. Chaumets, the Radical ex-minister informed the President that he was unable to form a cabinet.

M. Herriot, recently resigned, adamantly refuses to accept the portfolio of Foreign Affairs.

M. Paul Boncour, minister in the Herriot Government, was called by the President when M. Chaumets reported failure and was closeted with him for some time.

After the meeting M. Boncour announced that he had accepted not the task of forming a cabinet but of exploring the ground with a view to forming a cabinet.

After making this nice distinction, M. Boncour's first step was to consult M. Herriot.

MR. BARROW APPOINTED MAGISTRATE

Gazette Announces Promotions.

SUPREME COURT VACATION.

The Hong Kong Government Gazette dated December 16 states that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. John Barrow to be a Police Magistrate, in addition to his other duties.

The following Assistant Superintendents of Police have been gazetted as official Justices of the Peace for the Colony of Hong Kong: Mr. Alfred Reginald Seymour Major, Mr. Walter Philip Thompson, and Mr. Kenneth Andrew Bidmead.

The King's Exequatur, empowering Mr. Rene Joseph Francois Laurent Ohl to act as Vice-Consul for the Argentine in Hong Kong has received His Majesty's signature.

Xmas Vacation.

The offices of the Supreme Court will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the Christmas vacation (which commences on December 24 and terminates on January 1, both days inclusive) except on public and general holidays when the offices will be entirely closed, and on Saturdays, when they will be open from 10 a.m. to noon.

A notification in the Government Gazette states that unless The Hong Kong Public Billiard Saloon, Ltd., shows cause to the contrary, it will be struck off the Register.

KING'S NIECE ILL WITH FEVER.

London, To-day.

The attack of paratyphoid fever from which it is announced the King's niece, Lady Maud Carnegie, has been suffering for some days, is following the usual course and her progress is regarded as satisfactory.—British Wireless Service.

TOTALISATOR UNLAWFUL ON DOG TRACKS

"Tote Clubs" Likely To Be Closed.

COURT'S LEGAL RULING.

London, To-day.

Considerable interest has been aroused by a judgment of the Lord Chief Justice in the King's Bench Court yesterday. The effect of which is to render illegal the use of the totalisator on greyhound racing tracks in which approximately £3,000,000 has been invested in recent years, and which are patronised by a huge public.

Shares of greyhound racing companies, the present value of which is estimated at about £10,000,000, were marked down on the Stock Exchange yesterday afternoon. The decision will probably also affect the "Tote Clubs," the number of which has been increasing rapidly in recent months and may reach 1,000 in the whole of England.

Judgment in this case is final, but newspapers forecast that the matter will be taken to the House of Lords on another case now in the Chancery Court.

The Commissioner of Police is understood to be considering the position arising from the judgment in association with the Home Secretary. It is considered probable that steps will be taken to close down the "Tote Clubs" immediately.

Greyhound race meetings are being held several places every night and according to statements of managers, the totalisators will be in use.—British Wireless Service.

BOMB PLOT IN BUENOS AIRES.

Buenos Aires, To-day.

More than 1,000 bombs were discovered in the home of a supporter of the former President Irigoyen, following an explosion there.

There were 16 arrests, and police have barred what they believe to be a plot for wholesale bombing in the city.—Reuter.

Republican's Win Leaves Senate Lines Unchanged

Washington.

Karl Schuyler, Republican, took the oath today as Senator from Colorado, succeeding Walter Walker, Democrat, who served by appointment for the first two days of the session.

Mr. Walker was appointed early in the fall by Governor William H. Adams, a Democrat, to succeed Senator Charles W. Waterman, Repu-

REPORTS INSIST NOULENS MAY BE SET FREE.

Course Suggested Following Diplomatic Understanding.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, To-day.

Persistent rumours that Mr. and Mrs. Noulens, convicted Communists, may be released following the resumption of Sino-Soviet relations, are mentioned in a report circulated by the oldest "muckraker" here. But the report is neither officially affirmed nor denied.

Influential Chinese of Nanking and Shanghai are awaiting for the release of the prisoners.

Europeans In Dire Want

Tragic Situation In Shanghai.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, To-day.

The growing unemployment among foreigners in Shanghai, was illustrated by the Russian, Vladimir, former member of the Imperial Bodyguard, attempting to commit suicide by jumping into the river opposite the French Consulate.

He was rescued by sampan men and he told police he was unable to face the responsibility of supporting his wife and daughter.

SMITH'S FLIGHT TO CAPE A FAILURE

South African Airman Crashes Unhurt.

AMY STILL DELAYED.

London, To-day.

Mr. Victor Smith the South African airman, who set out from Croydon on Thursday on a flight to the Cape, met with a serious mishap near Saint Malo yesterday.

When at a low altitude his machine failed and he jumped from the machine with a parachute. He landed safely but the plane was badly damaged.—British Wireless Service.

Amy at Oran.

London, To-day.

Miss Amy Johnson (Mrs. J. A. Mollison), who has been held up on her return flight from the Cape for two days at Beni Ounif by bad weather, reached Oran yesterday and hopes to start for Croydon this morning.—British Wireless Service.

STOP PRESS

REVOLT NIPPED

Ex-Presidents Arrested.

Buenos Aires, To-day.

Ex-Presidents Irigoyen and Alvear have been arrested and will be deported. The Cabinet decided to take these energetic measures to maintain order and ask Congress to proclaim a state of siege.

Police have been ordered to search the headquarters of the Radical Party and to suspend the newspaper *Tribuna*.

Besides the bomb depot found in the house of a supporter of Mr. Irigoyen, a depot of arms was discovered in another house. These facts are believed to indicate a widespread political plot.

TANGLE LEFT TO DEMOCRAT GOVERNMENT

No Time To Act Now, President Explains.

CONGRESS VIEWS UNCHANGED.

Washington, To-day.

President Herbert Hoover will not take any steps to facilitate the discussion of the war debt issue, as Great Britain has requested.

By way of explanation, the President declared that he felt no need for immediate action, according to a statement made by a responsible official.

This statement of policy came following an all-day conference between President Hoover, Secretary of the Treasury, Ogden Mills, and Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson.



President Hoover.

The President said he felt it would be futile to review the debt situation without the approval of Congress, whose temper was still the same as it was before the creation of the Debt Commission.

The fact that December 15 had been passed had removed any reason or excuse for immediate action, he thought. In could be accomplished by his any event, there was little that administration before the change of Government on March 4.

President-elect Roosevelt will take over the reigns of Government in March. So far as the United States is concerned, the world must wait until that state function is accomplished before it can discuss the vital question of war debts.

Both Great Britain and France urged America to consider the necessity for immediate discussion of the war debt situation with a view to assisting world recovery from trade despondency and general economic disruption. Great Britain and France, alive to the need for quick remedial action, especially in Europe, have spoken in very positive terms to Washington.

With the war debts problem still unsettled, the fate of the Lausanne Pact cannot be known for some time.—Reuter.

TECHNICAL SCHOOL FOR THE POOR.

Construction Starts In January.

January, 1933 will see the commencement of the erection of a Technical Institute for the Colony's poor children.

The Hong Kong Government has made a grant of the site of the old Tai Shing Paper Factory to the Technical Institution, and already the sum necessary for the erection of a Technical Institute has been collected.

Plans have already been drafted and construction will commence in January.



The Woman's Page



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Sweet Sandwich Filling.

(Serve on hot toast)

1/2 cup white cream cheese
1/2 cup preserved orange
2 tablespoons preserved pineapple

1/3 cup soft butter

1/4 cup broken pecans

2 tablespoons cream

Mix ingredients, serve on hot buttered toast. Cover with other toast slices, cut in bars. Serve at once.

Devilled Ham Filling.

(For 8 sandwiches)

1/2 cup chopped cooked ham

1 hard cooked egg, diced

2 tablespoons chopped celery

2 tablespoons pickles

2 tablespoons chopped olives

1 tablespoon catsup

4 tablespoons salad dressing

Mix ingredients. Spread on buttered slices of white bread. Add bits of shredded lettuce. Cover with other buttered slice.

Sardine Savory Filling.

(For 8 sandwiches)

1/2 cup chopped sardines

2 tablespoons chopped celery

2 tablespoons chopped sweet pickles

2 tablespoons mayonnaise

Mix ingredients, use as filling between buttered slices of white bread.

Fruit Gelatine Salad.

1 package lemon flavoured gelatine mixture

1 cup boiling water

1 cup boiling fruit juice

2 tablespoons lemon juice

1 cup diced pineapple

1/2 cup diced peaches

1 cup seeded cherries



1/2 cup seeded grapes
1/2 cup red cherries
1 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup whipped cream

Pour boiling water and fruit juices over gelatine mixture. Cool. Add fruits. Pour into individual moulds. When stiff unmould on lettuce, top with mayonnaise mixed with whipped cream. Serve at once.

Foreign Dishes Favourites

Buy a piece of atchbone of beef, remove the bone, put the meat into a pan, cover it with vinegar, and let it remain for two days. Then drain off the vinegar, lard the beef, sprinkle it with allspice, pepper and salt, place it in a stewpan with hot melted butter, and let it cook in the oven until browned all over. Add three or four small carrots, four or five little onions, two shallots, a sprig of marjoram, the grated rind of one lemon, a sprig of lemon thyme, a sprig of parsley, and sufficient boiling water almost to cover the meat. Let it simmer for 4 hours. Take out the meat. Add some vinegar to the liquor, thicken it with flour, cook it for half an hour, and strain it over the beef on a dish. Serve with pickled cabbage.

Caspacho—From Spain.

Cut into thin slices five or six tomatoes, one cucumber, and a large Spanish onion. Arrange in separate layers in a dish, sprinkling each layer liberally with chopped parsley and breadcrumbs, and seasoning with pepper and salt. Make a mixture of five table-spoonsful of olive oil and three of vinegar, pour this over the vegetables, and leave in a cold place for two hours before serving.

Italian Chicken.

Boil half a pound of spaghetti in salted water, but do not break it up. Well butter a mould, line it with drained spaghetti, twisting it all round, and fill the centre with cold chopped chicken seasoned to taste. Pour over this a mixture made of half a cupful of cream, one ounce of butter, the yolk of one egg and a teaspoonful of chopped parsley. Add another layer of spaghetti, cover with greased paper, and steam for one hour. Turn out the mould and serve with tomato sauce.

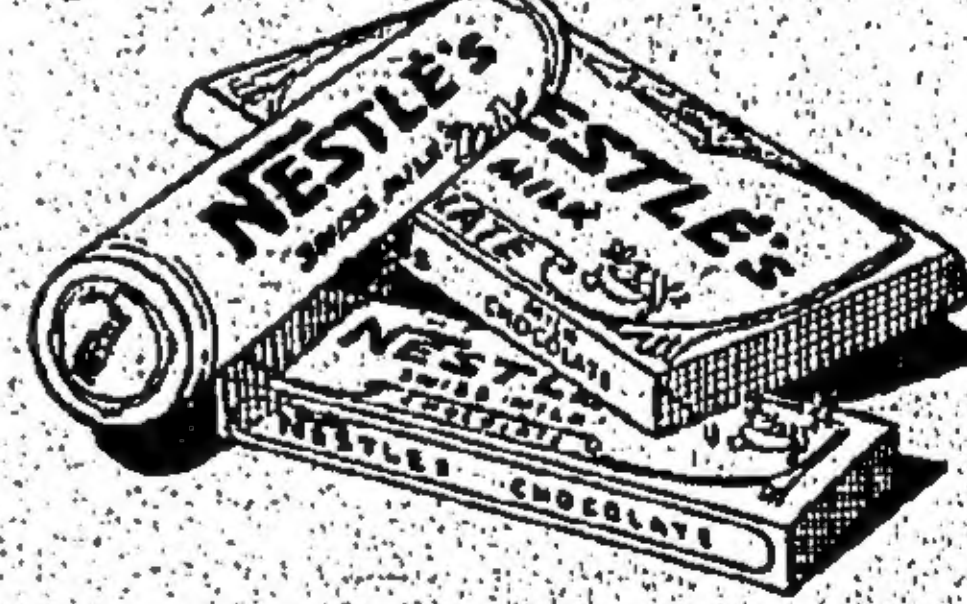
HAND - PAINTED SLIPPERS

One of the prettiest of this Winter's fashion novelties is the hand-painted evening slipper, and it is also practical, as those partly worn may be so decorated, and, when finished, look almost new. As the work is done to order, any design or colouring to correspond with that of the dress may be chosen. For the elderly lady silver and black are recommended, with pale blue or pink on white for the debutante. It is usual to decorate only the front and heel of the slipper, and, if liked, to finish with a bow or rosette at the outside.



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HONG KONG VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Orders issued by Lieut.-Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commanding H.K.V.D.C.:-

Hong Kong, Friday, Dec. 16.

PARADES

Battery.

There will be a parade for Signallers and Staff at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m., sharp, on Tuesday, December 30.

There will be no further parades until Thursday, December 29.

Engineer Company.

Monday, December 19.—Miniature Range.

Thursday, December 22.—D. L. Instruction, Wellington Barracks.

There will be no Miniature Range on Monday, December 26.

A Company Shoot will be held on the Peak Range, Sunday, January 8. Particulars will be issued later and Members are requested to keep this date open.

Corps Signals

There will be no further parades until Sunday, January 8, 1933.

Armoured Car Section

There will be no parade on Monday, 19th instant.

All Revolvers to be returned to Store as soon as possible.

Machine Gun Company.

There will be no further parades until Friday, January 6 of which further details will be issued later.

A.A.L.A. Company.

As from date, and until further orders, Section Drills will be discontinued and Members of the Company who have not yet completed the necessary number of drills for proficiency will parade for combined instruction at Volunteer Headquarters every Monday at 5.30 p.m.

Portuguese Company

There will be no further parades for the Company during December. On Tuesday, December 20, there will be a meeting at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. of Platoon Commanders, C.S.M., C.Q.M.S., and all Sergeants of the Company to discuss general questions. All concerned are requested to make a special effort to attend, in order that the views put forward and requirements arising therefrom may be as representative as possible.

The Officers Commanding the undermentioned Units will issue their Orders separately to their Commands:-

1.—Machine Gun Troop.

2.—Motor Machine Gun Section.

3.—Scottish Company.

4.—Anzac Company.

Parades at Headquarters.

No parades will be held at Corps Headquarters from Wednesday, December 21 to Monday, January 2, 1933.

Board of Survey.

The Stores at Headquarters will be closed on Monday, 19th instant for Stock Taking.

Rifles, Bayonets & Revolvers.

All Rifles, Bayonets and Revolvers will be returned to Store before December 24.

Promotion & Appointments

No. 1329 Bdm. A. J. M. Rodrigues, Corps Band, appointed Acting Bandmaster with effect from 9.12.32.

No. 1915 Cpl. E. C. Hudson, M.C., No. 3 Platoon, promoted Sergeant with effect from 16.12.32.

Struck Off The Strength.

Having completed 8 years' service:-

No. 1203 Pte. J. J. Xavier, No. 11 Platoon, as from 15.11.32.

No. 1377 Pte. E. P. Souza, No. 10 Platoon, as from 16.12.32.

No. 1444 Pte. F. A. Delgado, No. 12 Platoon, as from 16.12.32.

Permitted to resign:-

No. 1565 Pte. A. G. Clarke, Armoured Car Section, as from 13.12.32.

No. 1972 Pte. F. C. Goodman, Anzac Company, as from 12.12.32.

Having left the Colony:-

No. 1053 Pte. H. A. Gregory, No. 1 Platoon, as from 9.12.32.

No. 1930 Pte. J. G. Raven, Anzac Company, as from 16.12.32.

No. 1622 Sgm. Sami Bejonjee, Corps Signals, as from 16.12.32.

Leave.

Lieut. J. Norrie-Owen, A.S.C. Cadre, granted 12 months' leave from 1.1.33 to 31.12.33.

No. 423 C.S.M. G. T. Padgett, Corps Signals, returned from leave, on 12.12.32.

No. 1316 L/Sergt. H. Barson, No. 3 Platoon, leave extended to 31.12.32.

No. 1760 Bdr. D. Marshall, Battery, granted 2 weeks' leave from 12.12.32 to 26.12.32.

No. 1748 Tpr. L. G. Robertson, Machine Gun Troop, leave extended to 2.1.33.

(Sd.) W. H. G. COATER, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

QUESTIONS WON'T TROUBLE ALEKO.

Mystery Man Comes To To Taiping Theatre.

Have you lost a sweetheart, or a gold watch or your false teeth? Do you want a sure tip on the stock market or wish to know if your crops will be good this year? Are you puzzled over the question of matrimony, or uncertain about your job? If any of these perplexities confront you, you must attend the Taiping Theatre to-day because Aleko and his company of truth tellers are on the bill.

They promise to answer all questions that may be asked by those in the audience. When Aleko visited this city some six months ago at the Queen's Theatre he answered hundreds of questions and everybody was satisfied. During his stay here he will give private readings after the act. He does not claim to be a wizard and does not advertise himself as a mystic, but he is a marvellous fortune-teller.

He won't tell you how he does it but he says he is perfectly willing to prove to all comers that he can satisfactorily answer any legitimate question.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

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UNCANNY GUNNERY OF BRITISH NAVY.

Targets Shattered At Nearly Ten Miles.

EFFICIENCY OF SERVICE.

I know that all those who, like myself, were privileged to live on board his Majesty's ships during the recent Home Fleet assembly at Weymouth came away deeply impressed with the professional keenness and the spirit of good comradeship which pervades the whole service, writes Hector C. Bywater in the "Daily Telegraph."

Although navies may be in the melting-pot, and no officer or rating can be certain as to what the future holds in store for him, this incertitude is not allowed to clog the wheels of efficiency.

In the first place, the gunnery, the torpedo practice, and the other tactical exercises which took place before the King were by far the most perfect I have witnessed in an experience stretching over many years.

Strict Secrecy.

For obvious reasons, the Admiralty discourages too detailed accounts of such warlike operations. But this much may be said without impropriety: The 15in. gun shooting held off Portland was so accurate as to be uncanny. Salvo after salvo fired at nearly 17,000 yards not only "found" the target in the sense of straddling it, but actually crashed through the 30ft high wooden framework which represented but a small section of a modern battleship. Of the thirty-two rounds fired from H. M. S. Warspite, the ship I was in, I believe that half at least would have been direct hits on an enemy vessel.

The steam evolutions of P. Z. exercises, some of them highly complicated, which the Home Fleet carried out on this occasion, were marked by the faultless precision and absence of fuss which we like to think is traditional in the Navy. But without drawing invidious comparisons, I doubt whether a completed tactical scheme, involving practically all the operations which would be necessary in action with a hostile fleet, has ever before been executed with such mastery skill as that which we saw in the Channel last week.

Incomparable Personnel.

As regards its materiel organisation, and tactical efficiency, the Navy is tuned up to concert pitch. Some of its ships are old, it is true, and in certain categories there is a grave shortage. The Navy is making the most of the means at its disposal, and the country may rest assured that the ships we have can steam and shoot as well as ever.

As for the personnel, perhaps I am prejudiced; but, speaking with some knowledge of the human element in other navies, I believe our officers, seamen, engineers and specialists, ranks and ratings to be incomparable. Whatever incidents—due almost entirely to departmental ineptitude—may have ruffled the surface of naval discipline in the past, the Navy to-day is a harmonious entity in which, as in Drake's Golden Hind, "the gentlemen pull with the sailors."

The average ship in the Fleet is a "happy ship." Between officers and men there is mutual confidence and respect. Wherever seamen are gathered together there is bound to be grumbling, and when other topics fall the system of general messing—I.e., the drafting of stereotyped menus for the whole Fleet—will always provoke a grouse on the lower deck.

But on the whole the Navy is a happy, contented, and finely disciplined service, whose watchword is "one hundred per cent. efficiency." It is safe to say that never before has the nation received better value for its expenditure on naval defence.

A LANDMARK REMOVED.

The Hong Kong Tramway clock standard that has stood for nearly 15 years opposite the General Post Office Building in Des Voeux Road Central, near the traffic beacon, was removed yesterday.

The clock, which has become very dilapidated of late, no longer served any useful purpose since the clock-tower of Gloucester Building, which is flood-lighted at night, is close at hand.

Not a few business people will miss seeing the clock, before rushing to catch the ferry!



Priora, the great Australian tenor, who is appearing with the Australian Trio at the King's Theatre to-morrow.

ROMANCE AT KING'S CROSS.

Where Giants Obey Blinking Lights.

AND MASTER'S HAND.

By Bernard J. Farmer.

This evening I have been to King's Cross. I took no ticket, boarded no train. I simply walked to the extreme end of the main departure platform and watched.

Signal lights, red, white and green, shone with the hard impersonal eye of electricity. Little groups of men waving lamps and uttering hoarse shouts, apparently at the sky, moved about among the points.

And then I remembered; of course they had just changed over from the old manual signalling to the electric track system.

On the left a train steamed up a long bank and waited for a mysterious section labelled "E" to beckon it on. It seemed unimportant, I thought, to stop an engine—and only a little tank loco at that—just as it was nearing the worst part of the gradient. But electricity is unimportant; at least, it has no soul. Another tank—a larger one—came to help; they "double-headed," and a long line of wagons clanked past. The signal changing to red the moment the last one was by, as if saying, "Use the track you may, but hurry up, and the minute you've gone you cease to exist in our eyes."

Huge Locomotives.

I turned to watch a huge locomotive steaming down—one of the latest 4-6-2 class, "Diamond Jubilee," the boiler rising to the utmost limit of height in front of the cab, and tremendous in its sense of power. How quietly she moved! She alone seemed oblivious of this new-fangled signalling. True, she halted before a little red eye to take up coal.

A local to Hitchen bustled out, sparks flying from the engine. The electric whatever-you-call-it had given the driver the right of way—there was the green—and whatever happened had nothing to do with him.

Great men, these drivers; and how it does pay to keep calm!

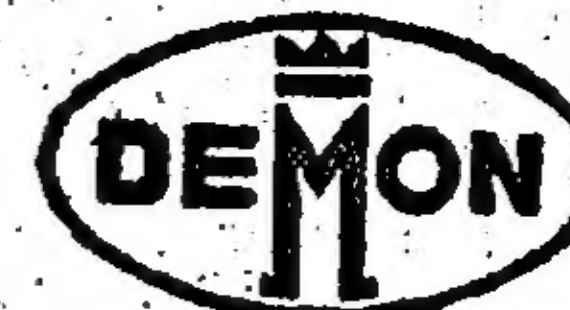
And now Diamond Jubilee again. Quiet as ever, she was backing on to the train on my right: the Night Scot. Heavens! what a load to pull: mail vans, sleeping cars, first class and third class, restaurant cars—vehicles stretching the whole length of the platform. It seemed incredible that any locomotive could haul such a weight, could even start it.

The Supermen.

Then I go up and stare, like any boy at a titbit, at the driver and fireman, looking for the superhuman attributes which they must possess to control Diamond Jubilee (for, like a beautiful woman, she is only happy with a man who can master her—and Heaven help the man who tries and cannot!).

There is more and more bustle behind. Someone very important looking—it may be the managing director of the company—comes up and has a word with the driver. But, whoever it is, the driver meets him on equal terms. He would meet anyone on equal terms.

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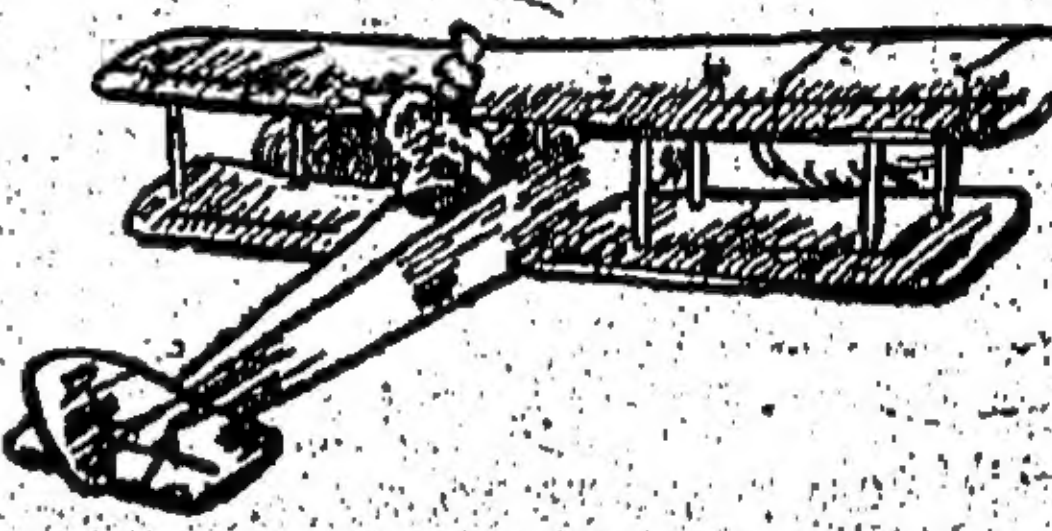
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CINEMA NOTES

MAIL REVIEW

"CALL OF THE SEA"—QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Action is aplenty and there is a pleasing love interest with welcome humour in the British film "Call of the Sea" now showing on the screen of the Queen's Theatre. Leslie Hiscott directed the film, with Henry Edwards and Chrissie White in the leading roles.

The story concerns the adventures of a naval lieutenant who, while on a visit to a former sweetheart, now married to the deputy governor of Pablo Island, finds that she is unhappy and is also convinced that her husband is engaged in some mysterious occupation, which eventually turns out to be the operation of a secret platinum mine, worked by kidnapped officers.

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"THUNDER BELOW"—KING'S THEATRE.

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Bickford has had an accident, blindness threatens him. He conceals it at first, but it comes on apace and the others become aware. Lukas and Tallulah at first decide to tell Bickford the situation, but the latter's pitiable condition makes this impossible.

MAIL REVIEW

"BORN TO LOVE"—CENTRAL THEATRE.

A love story, with war as its background, is told in the production "Born to Love," which Paul L. Stein directed, and is the current attraction at the Central Theatre. London Armistice Day celebrations are among the scenes very ably depicted in this film.

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"SPORTING CHANCE"—ORIENTAL THEATRE.

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In 1927, Mr. Ssu-tu went to Europe for further study, taking instruction under M. Bilou, a leader of the modern realists. In 1928 he went to New York where he completed his art studies, returning to Canton in 1930.

At the age of 30, Mr. Ssu-tu is one of the most promising of Chinese artists.

Mr. Ssu-tu intends leaving for Shanghai after his exhibition at the Gloucester Building.

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trating deeper into the microcosm. There are even dreams of X-ray microscopes. Searching for the invisible with invisible light! We seem to be reduced to a blind groping. But the process is more than that. Our own senses being too crude, we devise others more delicate. With these a remoter world will be explored, a world compared with which the protozoa and microbes with which we are now familiar will seem as gigantic as whales. Science has lost none of its romance and life none of its mystery because we have reached. He simply lacked the imagination of our eyes.

Children's Books.

Few who care either for books or for children will not have learned with interest of the promotion recently of a national "Boys and Girls' Book Week." Children, together with their parents and teachers, were invited to displays of books and to lectures on books all over England. The books concerned were neither school books nor "holiday tasks," but the volumes which the children may be expected to choose or to receive as gifts for their leisure and pleasure. The Exhibition of Illustrated Children's Books held at the Victoria and Albert Museum provided such a display over a longer time and on a larger scale than anywhere else. Publishers filled the stalls with some of their best books, which the child or his elders sampled. Moreover a retrospective array of volumes, tempted back the memory of even the most elderly to the books read in their own childhood, and to illustrate the various combinations of author, artist, and printer which have served in every generation to delight even when they were intended to instruct, and to instruct even when they were meant to delight. For those who visited this exhibition in a studious frame of mind there were many problems of literary history to solve. By how many years did the Limerick metre antedate Edward Lear, and when was the "History of Jack the Giant-Killer" first printed in England? Was the author of "Goody Two-Shoes" really Oliver Goldsmith, and who was the mysterious "Z" who wrote "The History of the Apple-Pie"? And why was it considered necessary a century ago to tell the story of Robinson Crusoe afresh by the Mrs. Markham method of question and answer? These questions and others of the kind, will no doubt be put to scholarly parents by their children with more vigour and less formality than Mrs. Markham would have approved; but there were a more important question implicit in the exhibition, and indeed in the very call for a "Boys and Girls' Book Week" by the National

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When M. Maisky, the new Soviet Ambassador, and Herr von Hoesch, Baron von Neurath's successor at the German Embassy, presented their credentials to the King they wore full evening dress.

This dress, once worn only by diplomats of the United States, has now become the accepted diplomatic uniform of the new post-war republic, including Germany and Russia.

There is only one exception. The Spanish Republic has retained the official gold lace uniform which, although a relic of monarchy, has always been favoured by the Latin republics both in the old world and the new.

Your Daily Smile.

Mistress (engaging maid): "And why did you leave your last place?"
Maid: "Because the master kissed me."
Mistress: "And you didn't approve, eh?"
Maid: "Oh I didn't mind; it was the mistress who didn't like it."

Visitor: "I have come to tell you that my wife disappeared three days ago."
Police Inspector: "Why didn't you report her disappearance at once?"
Visitor: "Well, for the first few days I could hardly believe it true that she'd really gone."

The kitchenware demonstrator wanted to call the next day. "That's my busy day," said the housewife. "I usually have so much to do that probably you would find me in a whirligig." "Oh, that's all right," replied the demonstrator. "I'm used to seeing housewives in their kitchenos."

A Scot was thinking of buying an electric grill, but on hearing the price he told the shopman that it was too dear, and he wouldn't have it. "But look here," replied the agent, "these things pay for themselves in three weeks."
"Well," said Sandy, "if that's so I'll come back in three weeks."

Facts You Did Not Know.

A new satiron holder clamps to the end of an ironing board and has a sloping point for sliding irons on or off with little effort.

In six years Slam has increased its motor vehicle registration by 202 per cent. and its mileage of improved highways by 50 per cent.

A thermostat controlled electric has been specially designed to keep the water in a home aquarium at any desired temperature.

Czecho-Slovakia exported more than 15,000,000 pairs of shoes last year, being the world's greatest exporter of that kind of footwear.

A cutting tool revolved by compressed air at a speed of 40,000 revolutions a minute has been invented for writing on metals and glass.

Experiments in South Africa have shown that iron pyrites, commonly known as "fool's gold," can be burned as fuel under steam boilers.

Book Council. Is the copious supply of children's books to-day selected and judged by the same test of quality that is given to the buildings in which the young are housed or the clothes given them to wear? School books are certainly selected with the most careful scrutiny, but the books which a child reads outside the classroom seem in many instances to be chosen haphazard by their bulk and their cover design rather than by their contents. The librarian does his best, but a "Christmas Gift Book" from a parent or an aunt is frequently chosen each December in the few minutes of shopping which can be spared between the glove counter and the hand-bags. It is this haste and indifference which the "Boys and Girls' Book Week" was intended to destroy in advance of Christmas. The grateful combination of discriminating parents with discriminating booksellers will reward, it is hoped, the deserving author and the deserving publisher with the prosperity which the older at least of the children's books, lavished should be self-supporting, and the gain to public health would be enormous. Land drainage, too, will be at the organ.

WORK FOR BRITONS

CLEARING OF SLUMS A GIANT TASK

SNOWDEN'S SUGGESTION FOR LABOUR RELIEF

(By Viscount Snowden.)

For three days the House of Commons has been pooling its ideas on the tragic problem of unemployment.

This subject has been so exhaustively discussed in recent years that it could hardly be expected that the discussion would provide any new suggestions.

The magnitude of the problem which faces the whole world to-day baffles statesmen and industrialists. Nothing which was proposed in the Parliamentary debate would touch the root cause of the universal depression.

Short periods of exceptional unemployment we have known in the past. But they differed in their magnitude, and in their character, from the crisis which exists to-day.

Though there was recognition in the Parliamentary debate of the complex and universal nature of the problem, the practical proposals put forward never approached the root causes of it.

Members of Parliament can hardly be blamed for that, because the causes are worldwide in their origin, and the solution is beyond the power of any National Government.

I share the opinion expressed in the debate that the coming World Conference is not likely to do much, if anything, to bring about a quick restoration of world trade. It will talk and pass resolutions; but the obsession of economic nationalism will be difficult to remove.

\$700,000,000 Spent.

The employment value of public works is much exaggerated. It has been assumed that an expenditure of a million pounds provides employment directly and indirectly for four thousand men for a year. It has not worked out like that. The Minister of Labour stated in the debate that in the last eight years public works of various kinds have been carried out, with Exchequer assistance, involving an expenditure of the huge sum of £700,000,000. And at no time did the number of men directly employed exceed 110,000.

This criticism does not imply that public works have no place in plans of amelioration of unemployment. But their scope is very limited.

There are different kinds of public works. There are, no doubt, many schemes which could be embarked upon to national advantage.

Suggestions Analysed.

Among the suggestions made in the debate were roads, bridges, parks, libraries, houses, slum clearances, water supplies and land drainage and reclamation.

In considering such suggestions a distinction must be observed between remunerative and non-remunerative schemes. It is sometimes difficult to draw the distinction.

A new road, for instance, may be either an unnecessary luxury or a real aid to transportation, lessening the cost of distribution. From my experience I am convinced that little more can be done in road-making which will not be a burden on the taxpayer and ratepayer without giving any beneficial return. There is a little to be done in bridge re-construction. Housing and slum clearance offer scope for employment. Our slums are a disgrace and a hotbed of immorality and disease. The local authorities cannot face the cost of clearance, and the State will have to shoulder the responsibility.

Housing schemes for the low-paid working classes could be wisely undertaken now while money is so cheap. Such schemes should be self-supporting, and the gain to public health would be enormous. Land drainage, too, will be at the organ.

offers scope for employment, and should bring an economic return. Other Schemes.

There are other schemes of public works which might be advantageously adopted. The most important is the development of electricity. The Electricity Board has done much to organise the generation side of the industry, but a great deal remains to be done on the distribution side.

There is no case at all against the expenditure of public money on remunerative enterprise. Even at a time of financial difficulty, the Labour Government in the first fifteen months sanctioned such schemes to a capital value of £140,000,000 with Exchequer assistance.

The objection, which formerly had considerable force, that public borrowing was undesirable, has not the same weight now. Government Conversions are now out of the way for two years. Money is plentiful and cheap. It can usefully be employed in developing national resources and equipping the nation to meet the revival of trade which will come sometime.

But all such schemes, however desirable in themselves, will make little impression on the volume of unemployment. To do that we must look elsewhere.

Mr. Lloyd George put forward a land settlement programme for placing 500,000 men on small holdings. It is calculated that it costs £1,000 to put a man on a small holding equipped with house and buildings. To place 500,000 on such holdings would cost £500,000,000!

Mr. Lloyd George quoted the larger proportion of small cultivators in Germany, Holland and Denmark. But he did not mention that in all these countries the percentage of unemployment is much higher than in Great Britain. The figures supplied by the International Labour Office show that for the first six months of this year the unemployed in those countries was over 30 per cent.

Not a Solution.
Whatever may be said for placing more people on our land—and there is everything to be said for it—it certainly is not a solution of the unemployment problem.

The scheme for raising meat prices, outlined by Major Elliot, is designed to deal with an emergency, and is no solution of the agricultural situation, and does not even claim to touch the unemployment problem.

There is a feature of the unemployment problem which received little attention in the debate. The rationalisation of industry is throwing vast numbers out of work.

Mr. Lloyd George said the other day that before the slump the United States had no unemployed. It is time that illusion was destroyed. At the height of the boom there were double the number of unemployed in the United States we had in Great Britain.

News in Brief.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony on Thursday.

A Chinese named Lam Wing appeared before Mr. Wynne Jones at the Central Magistracy yesterday, charged with attacking Wong Sin, an amah employed by Mr. G. M. Hall, and robbing her of a jade bangle. The hearing was adjourned.

The Lower Court proceedings against three Chinese, Wong Hoi, Wong Sang and Wong Fat, for possession of a revolver and two daggers, concluded at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when they were committed to the Criminal Sessions by Mr. Butters.

The Choir Sunday in the Union Church, Hong Kong, should provide a rare musical treat, to-morrow, when the choral service will include the "Messiah." The singing of this work will commence at 8 p.m. those taking part being: Mrs. A. M. Boyes-Smith (soprano), Mrs. H. L. Lockhart (contralto), Mr. H. F. Gardner (tenor), and Mr. W. J. Bailey (bass). Mr. G. E. Longyear, enormous. Land drainage, too, will be at the organ.

TALK ON EMPIRE BROADCASTING.

Mr. L. H. King's Lecture From Z.B.W.

HONG KONG INTEREST.

An interesting and informative talk on Empire Radio was given by Mr. L. H. King, Chief Electrical Engineer, from the Z.B.W. Studio last night.

Mr. King said:—

"The Empire has, for the purpose of Broadcasting, been divided into five Zones:—

Zone 1: Australia and New Zealand and Pacific Isles.

Zone 2: India, Burma and the Malay States.

Zone 3: Iraq, Egypt, East Africa and South America.

Zone 4: West Africa, including the Gold Coast and the Atlantic Islands (Tristan da Cunha and the Falkland Islands).

Zone 5: Canada, West Indies, Trinidad, British Guiana and the Pacific Islands.

"The wavelengths and the corresponding call signs which it is proposed to use have now been allocated and are given in the table below:—

Zone 1: Australasia, Wavelength Metres: 25.5, Frequency KC/S: 11,750, Call Sign: G.S.D.

Zone 2: India, Wavelength Metres: 16.9 and 25.3, Frequency KC/S: 17,770 and 11,865, Call Sign: G.S.G. and G.S.E.

Zone 3: South Africa, Wavelength Metres: 31.3 and 49.0, Frequency KC/S: 9,585 and 6,050, Call Sign: G.S.C. and G.S.A.

Zone 4: West Africa, Wavelength Metres: 31.5 and 49.5, Frequency KC/S: 9,510 and 6,050, Call Sign: G.S.B. and G.S.A.

Zone 5: Canada, Wavelength Metres: 31.5 and 49.5, Frequency KC/S: 9,510 and 6,050, Call Sign: G.S.B. and G.S.A.

These allocations, however, must be regarded as tentative.

Daily Transmission.

Daily transmission will be made for 2 hours to each Zone as follows:—

G. M. T.

(To correct this to local time add 8 hours).

Zone 1: 9.30-11.30 a.m. (Australia)

Zone 2: 2.30-4.30 p.m. (India)

Zone 3: 6.00-8.00 p.m. (Africa)

Zone 4: 8.30-10.30 p.m. (West Africa)

Zone 5: 1.00-3.00 a.m. (Canada)

As far as Hong Kong is concerned it is officially regarded as being in Zone 1.

"The transmissions commencing on Monday next must be regarded for many months as experimental and will be transmitted on two alternative wavelengths, pending a decision as to which is best. The transmission for Hong Kong will be made on two wavelengths simultaneously on 25.532 i.e. 11,750 Kilocycles using call sign G.S.D. and on 31.397 metres i.e. 9,585 Kilocycles call sign G.S.C.

"For the benefit of those listeners who do not yet possess a short wave receiver, a relay of these programmes will be made by the local station if found practicable in other words, if reception is satisfactory and if no special Studio item is being broadcast.

Avoid Oscillation.

"The success or otherwise of the reception and subsequent relay will to a great extent depend on listeners themselves. I appeal to every listener to avoid oscillation, and not to maintain their sets on the actual verge of oscillation, otherwise reception either by the Government Stations or individual listeners will be marred.

"There is one point I wish to emphasize and that is that short wave long distance transmission is bound to lack the uniformity and clarity of local transmission, and therefore, listeners must not be disappointed or blame their sets on this account."

"I would also advise listeners who are interested in these Empire Programmes to obtain the weekly paper 'World Radio', this paper has full details of the programme for each Zone and will be posted so as to reach a listener in time to be of actual use.

"On Monday the programme will commence with the chimes of Big Ben at 5.30 local time, this will be followed with an opening announcement. At 5.40 a pianoforte recital will be given by Berkeley Mason. At 6.10 a talk by Mr. Vernon Bartlett 'The World and Ourselves'. At 6.25 there will be dance music. At 7.15 news. At 7.30 the Station closes down on Zone 1."

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 K.C.'s):—

12.30 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records.

1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report.

1.15 p.m.—A relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Orchestra by courtesy of the Management (During the intervals recorded music will be broadcast from the Studio).

1.30 p.m.—Rugby Press News, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

3.45-5 p.m. (Approx.)—A Running Commentary from the match between the Kowloon Football Club and the 1st Bn. of the Lincoln by courtesy of the Football Association and the Kowloon Football Club.

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Recorded Programme.

6 p.m.—An Attempt will be made to relay the programme from Melbourne of the Aborigines Corroboree Dances.

7-11.30 p.m.—European Programme.

7-7.25 p.m.—Band Selections.

Stealing Thru' The Classics (arr. Somers)

Debroy Somers Band DX310.

Hyde Park Suite (Jalowicz) Reg. Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards DX221.

Dance of the Tumblers (Rimsky-Korsakov)

Goliwog's Cake Walk (Debussy)

R.B.C. Wireless Military Band 9744.

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather Report etc.

7.25-8.30 p.m.—Variety.

Cavalcade Selections

Debroy Somers Band DX305.

Xylophone Solo—

Victoria and Her Hussar

Vocal Duet—

Rio Rita—If You're In Love You'll Waltz

Edith Day and Geoffrey Gwyther DX55.

Organ Solo—

Tales of Hoffmann—Barcarole

Ternace Casey DB130.

Orchestral—

Rose Marie Selections

Herman Finck and his Orch. DX309.

Song—

The New Moon—One Kiss

Evelyn Laye and Chorus 9751.

Vibraphone Solo—Drink, Brothers

Drink

Rudy Starita DB471.

Comedy Sketch—

Funny Face A Few Drinks

Leslie Henson and Sydney Howard 9592.

Xylophone Solo—

Victoria and Her Hussar

Following the Drum

Rudy Starita DB519.

Vocal Duet—

Rio Rita

Edith Day and Geoffrey Gwyther DX55.

Organ Solo—

Cavalleria Rusticana—Interozzo

Ternace Casey DB130.

Vocal—

The New Moon—Lover Come Back To Me

Evelyn Laye and Male Chorus 9751.

Xylophone Solo—

Baby's Birthday Party

Rudy Starita DB471.

Song—

Funny Face—

Tell The Doc

Leslie Henson & Male Quartet 9592.

8.30-9 p.m.—

Casas Nostalgia Suite (Tschalkowsky)

The B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orch. conducted at Percy Pitt 9260/2.

9-9.30 p.m.—From The Studio.

A Pianoforte recital by Madame C. Cuervo.

Programme.

1. Baranof (Larghetto)

2. Jota Navarra (Larghetto)

3. Vogel als Prophet (Schumann)

4. Orgia, Danzas Tancasticas (Ourina)

5. Cinque Claus (Ourina)

9.30-11.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox Trot—

Smile, Darn Ya, Smile

Trees

By My Side

Flirt

Waltz—

Missouri

Wedding of the Winds

MR313.

Fox Trot—

The Sleepy Town Express

Fascinating Little Lady

It Was So Beautiful

MR265.

Tango—

Troubles are like Bubbles

MR656.

One Step—

Dark Eyes

One Step—

Russian Medley

CB353.

Fox Trot—

You'll be Mine in Apple Blossom Time

Goodnight Sweetheart

Ten Cents A Dance

CB253.

Fox Trot—

I'll be Good Because of You

CB249.

Waltz—

Waiting for the Silvery Rio Grande

I'm Alone Because I Love You

CB214.

Fox Trot—

Writing a Letter to You

Shout for Happiness

CB2234.

I Heard

They All Start Whistling Mary

MR653.

One Step—

Lady of Spain

Waltz—

Bells of Normandy

CB342.

Fox Trot—

Leave me Alone With my Dreams

I Lost my Heart in Heidelberg

CB447.

Waltz—

Maquerade

Fox Trot—

Happy-go-lucky You and Broken Hearted Me

When You Were my Sweetheart and I was the 'Kid'

Next Door

MR249.

You're Driving me Crazy

CB222.

SANTA CLAUS TAKES TO THE AIR.

Presents To Be Dropped In Colony.

SINCERE'S ENTERPRISE.

The Christmas Spirit is in the air, and Father Christmas himself will also be in the air to-morrow, when he will circle round the Colony in an aeroplane between 1 p.m. and 2.30 and drop tiny parachutes containing credit coupons from Sincere's.

Last year was the first time in the history of Hong Kong, that the Santa Claus convention was adopted by a departmental store. But then Santa did not fly above Hong Kong; he landed quietly at Kai Tak Aerodrome and proceeded from there to Sincere's store. This year however, apparently in the belief that he is more of a public personage than he thought, he is making an official flight over the Colony (after his non-stop flight from Alaska) before landing at Kai Tak. Many will be the eager young eyes uplifted on Saturday to see him, dressed as he always is, leaning out of his gaily coloured plane dropping gifts out of the sky. He will release 30 parachutes, each containing a Sincere's Credit Coupon. The first coupons which are presented at Sincere's the next day, (Sunday), will entitle holders to special prizes in addition to goods of the value of the coupon.

Welcome at Kai Tak.

According to the latest telegrams from Alaska, Santa has had a good trip across the Atlantic and will arrive in Hong Kong punctually at 1.30 p.m. and will land at Kai Tak at 2.30 p.m. where he will be welcomed by a special committee from Sincere's and students of some schools in addition to any of the public who may be present.

A special steam launch will take him across the harbour and he will land on the Hong Kong side at the pier opposite Sincere's store at about 3 p.m. where he will board a specially decorated motor car and will lead a parade through the main streets of the city. The procession will finish up at Sincere's store where Santa will alight and proceed to the Wonderland on Sincere's Roof Garden which will open on the same day.

Mystic Maze.

In the Wonderland are many interesting novelties which will be under the supervision of Santa. These include the Mystic Maze, into which everybody may venture but from which not everybody can escape. Special prizes will be given to all those who succeed in penetrating to heart of the maze. Wonderland also contains a Skating Rink, Ping Pong Courts, a Tricycle Stadium and many other novelties which delight the hearts of children and warm the hearts of adults, too.

Santa Claus will remain in Wonderland till Christmas Eve and hopes to see all his old friends and make new ones as well.

WIRELESS FROM AEROPLANES.

Progressive Move In Conference.

A world agreement to extend the range of wireless wave-lengths allocated to civil aviation has been reached by the Radio Telegraph Conference sitting at Madrid.

The range is extended from 850-950 metres to 830-980 metres. This will afford many hundreds of distinct wave-lengths, each free from interference.

It is hoped that he new "wave band" will suffice for several years to come even assuming no further technical improvements.

Hither it has not been possible for an air traveller to send a private message by radio through the operator on the machine. But in the bigger air liners this may soon be possible.

A Great Big Bunch of You

Waltz—

In a Shanty in Old Shanty Town

MR655.

Fox Trot—

Once Aboard the Luggage

MR493.

Another Trumpet Playing in the Sky

Wrap Your Arms Around Me

MR654.

All of Me

MR621.

Goodnight Little Girl, Goodnight

MR621.

Waltz—

Moonlight on the Colorado

Somewhere in Old Wyoming

CB164.

10.10 p.m.—Rugby Mid-day Press News.

11.30 p.m.—Close Down.

Advertisements in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Mack Co.

To-Day's Short Story.

THE WHEEL OF TIME

By Douglas Newton.

HOSEA REWELL put two-thirds of the blame for his wretched condition in life on to a certain gentleman named Isambard Brunel. This meddler had thought out a way of attaching the soles of boots to uppers by means of metal pins, if you please; so that by machinery even unskilled men could make more boots in an hour than an honest worker could sew in a month.

The remainder of the blame went to another enemy of good handwork—a chap named Gorge Stephenson. This chap had defied the laws of Nature and made a steam carriage that whirled folks from one place to another at the unrighteous speed of quite 18 miles the hour. As a result, horses were just about finished, and when horses were finished a nation was as good as done.

Hosea Rewell spoke with feeling, because he reckoned he knew what he was talking about. He was the saddler and cobbler of Pennyhill village.

The gaffers of Pennyhill agreed that maybe there was a lamentable lot in what Mass Hosea did say, but they thought his habit of lauding small beer with smuggled Holland had something to do with it. On that day, when delirium tremens refused to yield to the enlightened treatment of the time—65 drops of laudanum every two hours and the head shaved and blistered—and Hosea departed this life amid a whirl of unimaginable spiders, the gaffers felt their suspicions had been justified.

Nic Rewell, Hosea's son, blamed Pennyhill.

He asked, with his dark fierce scorn, if any man could be blamed for drinking himself to death in such a place. Nic Rewell hated Pennyhill. In his opinion it was a mistake on the part of Providence. He thought it mean and cheap and dull, only fit for cows and cabbages. Nothing had ever happened in Pennyhill, and nothing ever would. A man didn't have a chance of doing in such a chance of doing anything in such a cramped, choked, hideous hole.

Nic Rewell was thin, wiry, ambitious chap who had worked and lived in his father's iron-stone cottage at his father's calling until he could no longer stand the dirty, crowded meanness of it, and had married Emma Chewth and gone to live with her mother in the Three Chimney Cottage.

The gaffers used to get him to talk with sly and heavy amusement, because he was that fiery. He was contemptuous of their dull, uninspiring lives.

MONDAY'S STORY.

Monday's short story will be "The Screaming Plant," by Hal Pink.

He used to stand up among them in his ragged, would-be London clothes, not hand-stitched smocks and sound woollens, but flowered vests and a coat with tails he'd got from the squire's man, and he used to rant on. Mad to get away from the dullness of the country, he was—mad to get to London. He was a wild one, surely, one of gallivanting sort.

He was like that because he was a scholar. He'd muddled his head with book learning. Several men had actually watched him write out his letters with no more effort than he used to draw his waxed thread through his leather. And he could read beautiful. He would read them bits out of the "Weekly Political Register" newspaper in a way that was exciting, but liable to make them uneasy.

The squire had said publicly that if he had his way that wicked news sheet 'ud be burned by the public hangman, and the Mr. Cobbett who wrote it clapped into the Tower of London.

The more Nic Rewell read the less he thought of Pennyhill. You couldn't say a good word for the village to him. He wouldn't even let the squire do it.

"What have you against it, Nic Rewell?" the squire said. "Even your Mr. Cobbett, when he rode through it, said it was one of the most comely and happy villages in England. And he spoke truth for once. It's an uncommon pretty place if you'd look at it with sensible eyes."

"Purty!" sneered Nic Rewell. "I don't see it 'all, Mus' Minnick-wood. Where's there anything purty in it? Just mucky fields an' cow an' trees. A place can't be purty unless there's life and go in it. An' those silly big hills, they're just about crowding in on top of me, squeeze in me brain an' breath away. You can't do nothing in a place like this; you can't make the best of yerself 'like. Cramped, that's what it is."

Emma, his wife, had the same feelings. A pretty, masterful, wench she was, and she couldn't see anything good or likeable in Pennyhill either. She wanted to go where folks were more gay, where there was something a-doin', and where people had something to say for theirselves. She jeered at the mean little houses, and the people like girl, ality sheep. She used to say it was only fit for poor souls who hadn't any hearts or gumption. London was the place where one could make something of oneself; enjoy life, and become somebody proper.

Pennyhill didn't understand such talk, but it understood better in Emma than in Nic. Emma's man, and in which Mr. Sander count-wan't too respectable. She was, tarclamed for damages for breach of warranty.

Both the claim and the counter-claim succeeded.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall (Messrs. Russ and Co.) appeared for the Asiatic Motor Car Company, and Mr. Nigel (Messrs. Johnson and Stokes and Mavor) for Mr. A. Sander.

DRIVER FINED FOR RECKLESSNESS.

Dangerous Driving Charge Heard.

On a summons, accusing him of dangerous driving in a motor car, Mr. Peter To was fined \$25 by Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court yesterday when a representative entered a plea of guilty on his behalf.

Sergeant McInnis, who prosecuted, informed his Worship that the incident occurred shortly after midnight on the night of the St. Andrew's Ball. There were a number of cars parked opposite Queen's Pier in Connaught Road and defendant had driven past at an estimated speed of 35 miles an hour.

A fine of \$10 was imposed against Mrs. Gorio who was driving a motor car with a learner's licence in Causeway Bay Road.

ST. ANDREW'S CLUB CARNIVAL NIGHT.

Clever Costumes At Annual Ball.

Gaiety prevailed in St. Andrew's Church Hall last night on the occasion of the annual plain and fancy dress ball, organised by St. Andrew's Club.

The first prize for the best dressed lady was won by Mrs. Dann, representing a shepherdess. Miss J. Gittins was awarded the prize for the most original costume.

Mr. Cyril Gregory as an Argentinian won the prize for the best dressed man. Mr. F. Wong as a pirate carried off the prize for the most original costume.

Mr. E. F. Fincher was M.C.

BOTH SIDES WIN COURT DISPUTE.

Claim And Counter-Claim Succeed.

Judgment was given by the Pains Judge yesterday afternoon in the case in which the Asiatic Motor Car Company Limited sued Mr. A. Sander, of Sander, Weller and Company, for \$1,000, the balance due on the sale of a motor car, and in which Mr. Sander count-wan't too respectable. She was, tarclamed for damages for breach of warranty.

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Comfy Pyjamas	8.50	Slippers	5.75
Socks (Silk or Wool)	1.75	Trouser Presses	12.50
Scarves (White or Coloured)	4.75	Walking Sticks	4.75
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1 Pt. D.O.M.	1 Qt. Old Brown Sherry, Black Seal.
1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy.	1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin.
2 Qts. King George IV Gold Label or Perfection Whisky.	1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy.
	1 Phial Pomeranian Bitters.

No. 2 HAMPER — \$45.

1 Qt. Guillemaut Champagne.	2 Qts. Tawny Dry Port.
1 Pt. D.O.M.	2 Qts. St. Julien Claret.
1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy.	1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin.
1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy.	1 Qt. Vino de Pasto Sherry.
2 Qts. King George IV Gold Label or Perfection Whisky.	1 Phial Pomeranian Bitters.

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1 Pt. G. F. Peppermint.	1 Qt. Amontillado Sherry.
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It will be seen, therefore, that many years are likely to elapse before the Cup will be won outright by a yacht scoring either five wins or four consecutive wins.



SPORT PAGE



Mrs. James Eliminates Miss R. Hancock

Miss Enid Lo Favoured For Triple Crown

MISS PULLUM'S PROMISE

(By Ray.)

MRS. C. P. F. JAMES yesterday qualified to meet Miss Enid Lo in the Final Round of the Ladies Singles Championship when she defeated Miss R. Hancock after a stirring struggle by 6-4, 2-6, 6-4 on the U.S.R.C. courts.

The game, which was umpired by Lt.-Col. E. J. de C. Roys M.C., was of a ding-dong nature with experience triumphing over youth. Miss Hancock put up a plucky battle after her recent illness, and a good deal will be heard of her in next year's championships. In the previous round she surprised the critics by eliminating Miss Thomas, last year's runner-up, in a great battle between two left handed players.

Mrs. James, who has never before won the championship, will be opposed to Miss Enid Lo, holder for the last two years, at the U.S.R.C. at 3.15 p.m. to-day. Though the Chinese lady is expected to record her second championship win of the season, an interesting match should take place with base line tactics in evidence throughout. Mrs. James is an experienced player with good court-craft, but she may



MISS ENID LO.

be consistently effective than many of the modern overhead services of other leading Colony players.

MISS PULLUM'S ADVANCE.

Mrs. Grimbly is a player who relies more upon good placements than on outright winners. Against Miss Thomas and Mrs. Stafford Smith in the Semi-Final round she was hardly seen at her best, and it was only due to her splendid recovery in the final set that she and Mrs. Lochner reached the Final Round.

This year's championships have revealed in Miss B. Pullum a player of exceptionally promising abilities. Possessing a powerful forehand drive which she keeps well under control Miss Pullum can also rely on a steady backhand shot which is a little more than a defensive weapon. Her net play is well above average and her overhead work is executed with a view to her opponent's positioning. Her one fault which she will find difficult to rectify is her slowness on the court: her anticipation can also be improved. Her wide repertoire of strokes, however, give rise to much optimism regarding her chances next year, though I feel sure that she is essentially a doubler player.



MRS. TOTTENHAM.

find her opponent a little too speedy both on the court and in her stroke production.

To-morrow afternoon Mrs. Lochner and Mrs. Grimbly will challenge the supremacy of Mrs. R. E. Tottenham and Miss Enid Lo, holders. A large crowd is expected to witness the match at the U.S.R.C. commencing at 3.15 p.m., as the challengers offer formidable opposition.

UNPARALLELED FEAT.

Mrs. Tottenham, who has recently been under doctor's orders, showed last Sunday that she has lost none of her prowess. Her driving had good length and only her overhead work showed signs of lack of practice. With a week's practice behind her since her last match she will have regained her old confidence and should give Enid Lo every opportunity to record a triple win and a clean sweep of all the Colony's major titles.

To achieve the triple crown is a feat yet unaccomplished and Miss Lo has this year a glorious opportunity to establish a new tennis record in the Colony. She has already won the Colony Mixed Doubles Championship with her brother M. W. Lo, the 1929 Colony champion, and she is favoured in both matches over this week-end.

Mrs. Lochner is driving well at the moment, but she is still a little prone to stand in the middle of the court with the result that she makes her opponents' shots much harder to receive than they really are. Like Mrs. Tottenham she is one of the few players who have remained loyal to the old tradition of the under-arm service, but the low trajectory of her stroke makes it quite as effective and far more con-



MRS. LOCHNER.

The following shows how the players reached the Final Round:

LADIES SINGLES.

MRS. JAMES—
beat Miss M. Griffiths 6-1, 6-0.
beat Mrs. Chau 6-4, 2-6, 6-1.
MISS ENID LO—
beat Miss H. E. Orme 6-0, 6-1.
beat Miss O. Dalziel on a walk over.
beat Mrs. Grimbly 6-1, 10-8.

LADIES DOUBLES.

MRS. LOCHNER AND
MRS. GRIMBLE—
beat Mrs. Ho Ka Lau and Miss C. Lo 6-0, 6-0.
beat Mrs. Stafford Smith and Miss B. Thomas 6-1, 4-6, 6-1.
MRS. TOTTENHAM AND
MISS ENID LO—
beat Mrs. Chou and Miss R. Rum-John 6-4, 6-1.
beat Mrs. James and Miss Pullum 6-4, 6-2.

BRADMAN PARTISAN ARGUES WITH KNIFE.

Quarrel Over His Merits.

MELBOURNE, DEC. 12. A MAN WAS ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL TO-DAY WITH FIVE KNIFE WOUNDS. THEY WERE SUSTAINED AS THE RESULT OF A QUARREL WITH A RELATION CONCERNING THE MERITS OF DON BRADMAN AS A CRICKETER.—REUTER.

ANDERSON'S BIG SCORE FOR R.E.

Flood's Fine Effort For R.A.S.C.

DROPPED CATCHES.

THE Royal Engineers easily defeated the R.A.S.C. in the Small Units Cricket League at Sookpoo yesterday, winning by five wickets.

The Service Corps were given a good start by Flood and Whitley but the later batsmen failed against the bowling of Lt. Anstruther and Cpl. Meehan.

The Engineers were without Tucker, but Anderson batted very well for 65 not out, which included eleven fours and a six. The Service Corps were weak in the field, no fewer than ten catches being dropped.

Scores:—

R. A. S. C.

S. Sgt. Flood, b Anstruther	47
L/Cpl. Buckland, b Anstruther	5
Dvr. Whitley, b Anstruther	28
Sgt. Tighe, c Pegg, b Anstruther	12
L/Cpl. Orr, b Anstruther	0
Cpl. Joyce, c Anderson, b Pegg	8
Cpl. Barlow, run out	8
Lt. Mayell, b Anstruther	0
Lt. Jeffers, b Pegg	9
Cpl. Hawthorne, b Pegg	0
Pte. Fullbrook, not out	0
Extras	16
Total	126

Bowling.

Lt. Anstruther	6 for 48
Cpl. Meehan	0 for 38
Spr. Pegg	8 for 24

Royal Engineers.

Lt. Anstruther, b Flood	26
Cpl. Meehan, c Whitley, b Barlow	48
Spr. Pegg, l.b.w., b Barlow	4
Lt.-Col. Marsden, b Barlow	11
Spr. Himbury, c Joyce, b Whitley	4
Sgt. Anderson, not out	65
Spr. Holmes, b Flood	16
Spr. Waldron, b Flood	0
L/Cpl. Monaghan, b Flood	4
S.M. Jordan, not out	12
Extras	17
Total (for 9 wickets)	201
Sgt. Buckle did not bat.	

Bowling.

S. Sgt. Flood	4 for 58
Dvr. Whitley	1 for 57
L/Cpl. Orr	0 for 15
Cpl. Barlow	3 for 38
Cpl. Joyce	0 for 16

LING TUNG MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS.

Three Open Events.

The Ling Tung Middle School Sports Meeting will be held on Christmas Eve at 10 a.m., at King's Park.

Mr. Luk Hoi Wan Chairman of the South China A.A. will be present at the opening ceremony, and Messrs. Ko Sik Wai, Lee Wai Cho, Chow Kun Chiu will act as judges. The following are the open events on the programme:—

- (1) Basketball.
 - (2) 1,600-Metres.
 - (3) 800-Metres Relay (4 in a team).
 - (4) 400-Metres Relay (primary students).
 - (5) 1,600-Metres Relay (Boy Scouts).
- Letters have already been sent to various schools inviting teams to participate at the meeting.

Golf Notes

By Divot

TO-MORROW the semi-final round of the Championship of the Kowloon Club will be decided over 36 holes, when D. C. Wilson is opposed to F. W. Planner and J. E. H. Cogan meets J. Macknight. On recent form Wilson should enter the final, and if Cogan can produce the game he played against Remedios he should have little difficulty in securing a win over Macknight. Macknight on the other hand is a steady player and is hard to beat especially in match play.

OF the sixteen qualifiers who were successful to play for the Junior Championship of the Kowloon Golf Club, A. Urquhart, who is at present playing a steady game, should go far, and is a possible winner, but may be checked by J. Woolley who can rise to the occasion and put up a good game.

The following is the draw for the first round to be played on or before December 25:

J. Pooler	v. G. Castle
S. Jex	v. J. M. Purvis
H. Overy	v. G. Angus
S. MacNider	v. L. D. Purves
W. J. Woolley	v. C. G. Anderson
G. D. Reid	v. A. Urquhart
J. Gellatly	v. L. Jack
W. Kerr	v. T. Mitchell
	or
	W. Stoker

The first round of the Junior Championship of the Country Club will be decided to-morrow. The following is the draw:—

K. W. Wong	v. H. G. Leong
A. Urquhart	v. G. A. V. Hall
F. B. Silva	v. A. G. Suffad
S. Jex	v. F. X. M. Silva
Leo d'Almada	v. C. H. Basto
M. Simoes	v. B. Basto
J. M. Alves	v. A. E. H. Castro
B. Alves	v. C. Basto

IT is predicted that Golf Law will be subject to considerable change in the coming year, now that the powers that be have set their heads to an important task. The rule relating to casual water in a bunker will no doubt be revised. As the rule stands a player has the right to lift from the water under penalty of one stroke and that he may drop the ball either in the hazard or he may take the ball outside the hazard and drop it clear behind. The R. and A. are being asked to amend this rule so as to retain the penalty if the ball is lifted out of the hazard but to incur no penalty if the ball be dropped in another part of the hazard.

SIGNALS' MAMAK VICTORY.

Score Five Goals Against R.A.O.C.

IN a Mamak Tournament match played on the Marina ground yesterday afternoon, the Royal Corps of Signals defeated the Royal Army Ordnance Corps by 5 goals to nil. The losers, one of the weakest teams in the Tournament, have yet to score a goal. Lieut. Whiteway, Wilkinson (2), W. Jones (2) and Convey scored for the Signals.

Mamak Hockey Table

(Up to and including yesterday's games.)

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	Pts.
Radio	11	10	0	1	45	8-21
1st Bty. H.K.S.	10	9	0	1	46	9-19
R.C. Signals	13	10	2	1	41	18-21
R.A.S.C.	16	7	5	3	20	21-17
St. Andrew's	9	7	5	1	35	9-15
Incorrigibles	7	7	0	0	27	8-14
Medway	11	5	2	4	22	10-14
Police	7	4	1	2	13	10-10
Phoenix	9	3	3	3	16	17-9
R.E.	13	4	5	1	14	29-9
University	8	4	4	0	15	19-8
R.A.M.C.	12	2	6	4	9	20-8
12th B.A.	7	8	2	1	12	10-7
Wishart	5	3	2	0	10	15-0
Veteran	5	2	3	0	4	7-4
Tamam	9	1	6	2	10	22-4
24th B.A.	7	1	5	1	7	21-3
20th B.A.	1	5	1	3	15	8-2
Partisan	4	1	3	0	3	11-2
Germans Club	9	1	8	0	6	33-2
R.A.O.C.	9	0	8	1	0	23-1
R.I.T.C.	10	0	9	1	5	33-1
8th Destroyers	1	0	1	0	1	3-0

CHINESE ATHLETIC TEAM IN CHARITY GAMES.

Aid For Chinese In Manchuria.

The Chinese Athletic football team will play a series of exhibition charity games in Canton early in the New Year.

The matches, which will be staged under the auspices of the Canton Mass Meeting, will be in aid of the Chinese in Manchuria. The team leaves Hong Kong on January 15.

SHANGHAI RECORD BILLIARDS BREAK.

P.S. Barradas Runs Up 235.

It will be of interest to billiard players to know that P. S. Barradas, playing at the Club Lusitano, Shanghai, made a break of 235 in 81 minutes. At 232, while playing a losing hazard off the red in the middle pocket, he brought the red ball into baulk and ended his break by missing a losing hazard off the white through a slight miscalculation.

The merit of this big break was that it was devoid of any flukes, and it was played under the new rule with a limit of 100 successively outside the baulk line. It was a record for the Club Lusitano, where 200 never had been made before, and also a record for Shanghai.

KING'S FIVE NOMINATIONS FOR 1933 DERBY.

Aga Khan Enters Eleven.

London, Dec. 8. The Derby of 1934 has attracted 309, compared with 305 for 1933. His Majesty, King Majesty, King George, who has yet to win the Epsom Derby has made five nominations, while H. H. Aga Khan is the largest subscriber, has eleven entries.—United Press.

NAVAL BOXING TITLES

SMITH AND HINTON IN GOOD BOUT.

Five Knock Outs And Two T.K.O.'s.

FINALS TONIGHT.

The semi-final rounds of the China Fleet Amateur Boxing Championships were held last night at the Royal Naval Canteen, before a very large attendance.

The best fight of the evening was between Tel. Smith and A. B. Hinton, in the Feather Weight class, both boxers going full out throughout the 8 rounds, Commander Bayley, the referee, complimenting both men on their exhibition.

The finals of the China Fleet Amateur Boxing Championships will take place to-night at the Royal Naval Canteen, Wanchai.

The programme will be divided into two sections, the Novices competition, for which there is no scoring points, and the Amateur Team Competition for a trophy, won on the most number of points awarded. Two points are given for a win and one for a loss.

The boxing will commence at 8.30 p.m. sharp and admission will be charged at 50 cents. The prize distribution will take place immediately after the final bout.

The following were last night's results:—

NOVICES COMPETITION.

Feather-Weight
A.B. Downes (Hermes) beat A.B. Bearsey (Suffolk) on points.
A. B. Jewitt (Medway) beat Cook Fitchett (Verity) on points.
Light-Weight
A. B. Dennis (Suffolk) beat Sig. Hoy (Hermes) on points.

Mne. Haley (Hermes) won on a technical knockout in the first round against Sig. Smith (Hermes).

Welter-Weight
A. B. Moul (Wishart) beat A. B. Shea (Hermes) on points.

Middle-Weight
A. B. Fudge (Wishart) knocked out A. B. Etherington (Sandwich) in the first round of their bout.

A. B. Pringle (Medway) knocked out Mne. Clayton (Hermes) in the second round.

Light-Heavy Weight.
Mne. Marsh (Hermes) was given a walk over A. B. Wilson (Wren) who is ill.

A. B. Deykin (Suffolk) beat Mne. Chamberlain (Hermes) on points.

Bantam-Weight.
A. B. Brand (8th D/F) won on a technical knockout from A.B. Edland (Kent).

Feather-Weight
Tel. Smith (Kent) beat A. B. Hinton (Suffolk) on points.

A. B. Read (8th D/F) beat A. B. Mogford (8th D/F) on points.

Light-Weight
A. B. Law (8th D/F) knocked out S. P. O. Robinson (Hermes) in the first round.

A. B. Baldwin (Hermes) knocked out Mne. Brown (Kent) in the first round.

Welter-Weight
S. P. O. Skeen (8th D/F) beat A. B. Butler (Cornwall) on points.

A. B. Emmerson (Suffolk) beat A. B. Cannon (Hermes) on points.

Middle-Weight
A. B. Thompson (Cornwall) knocked out A. B. Wadge (8th D/F) in the first round.

A. B. Dawson (8th D/F) beat A. B. Hall (Medway) on points.

Light Weight.
A. B. Hill (8th D/F) beat L. Sto. Glasborne (Kent) on a technical knockout.

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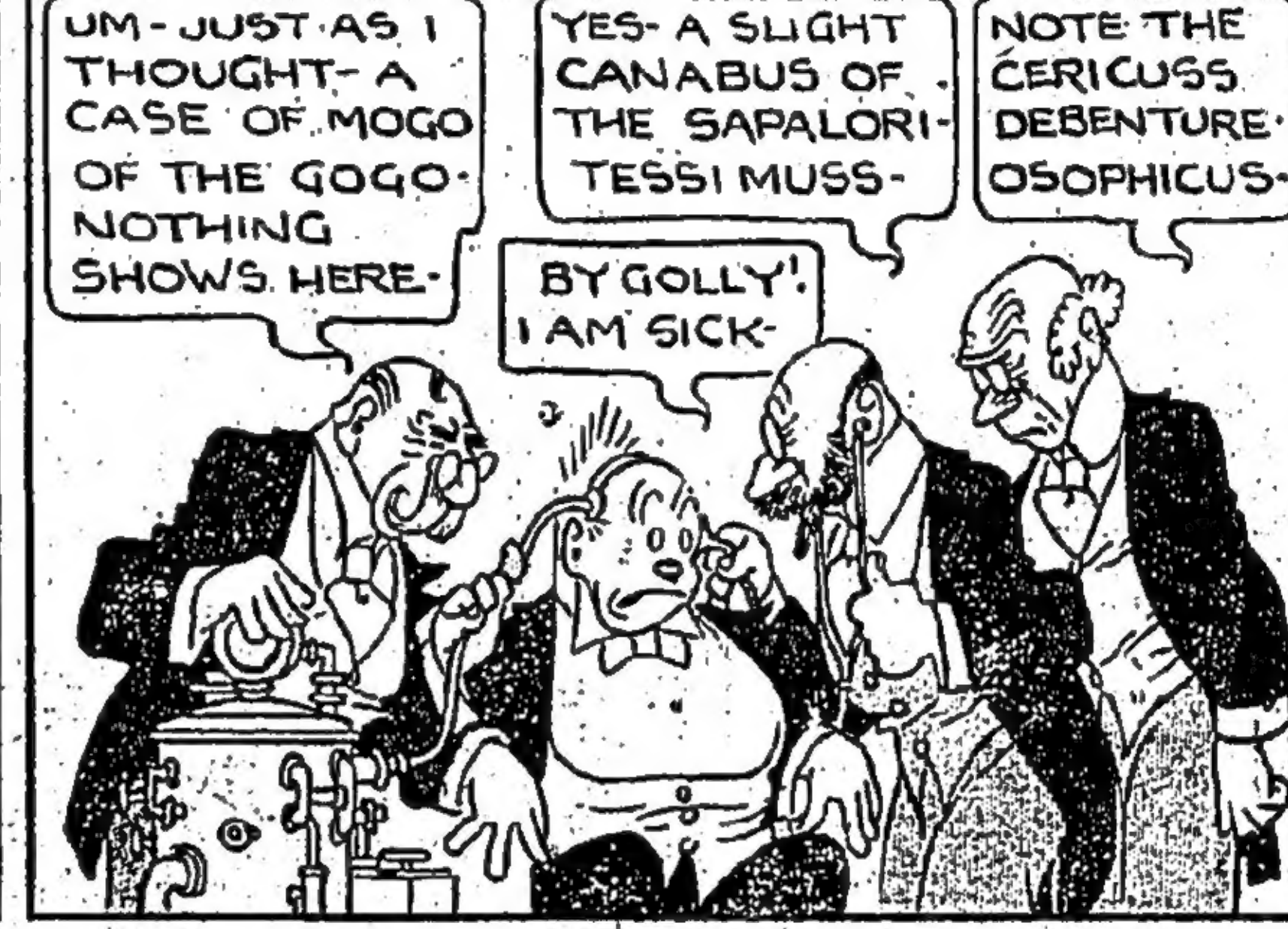
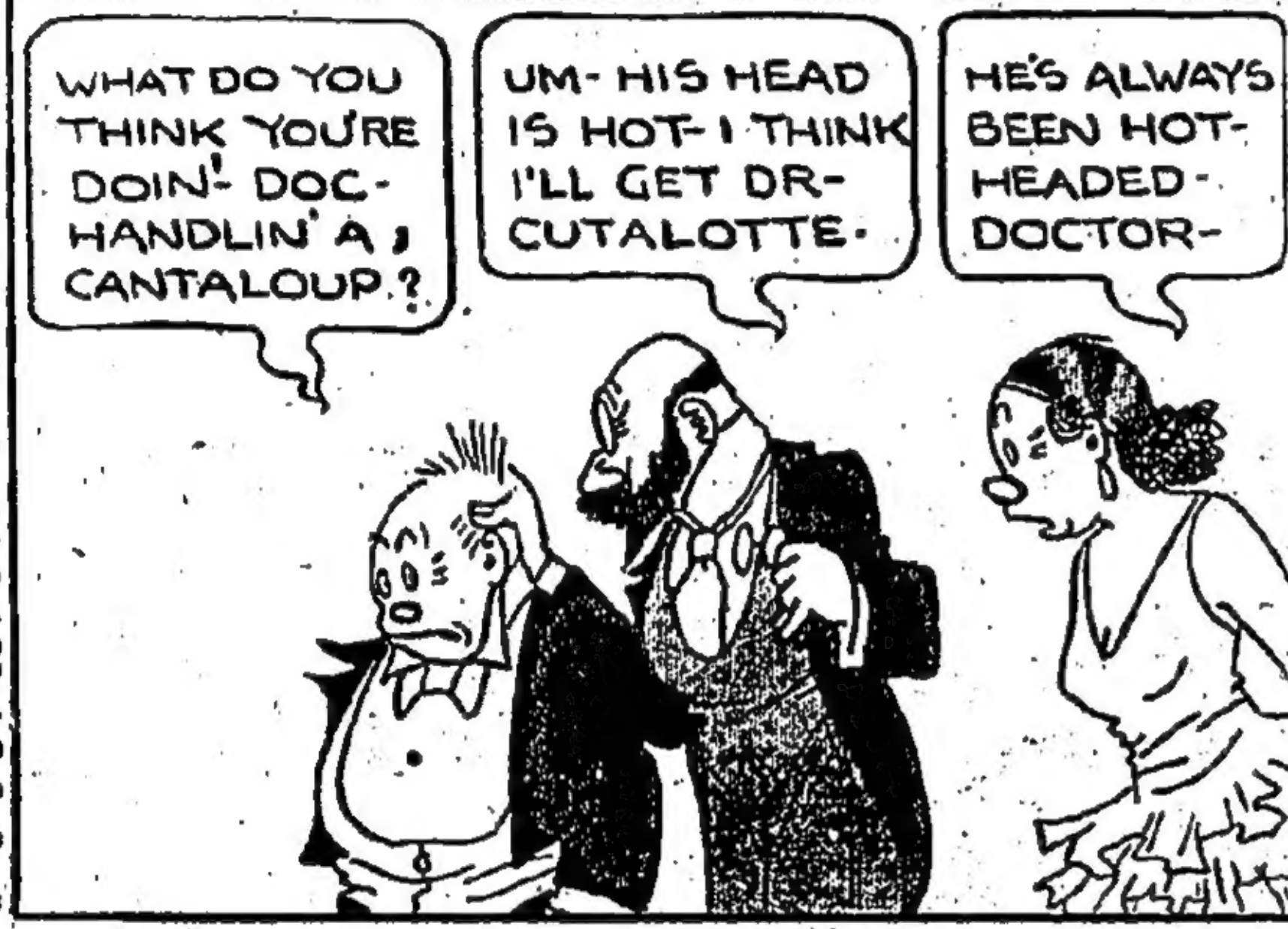
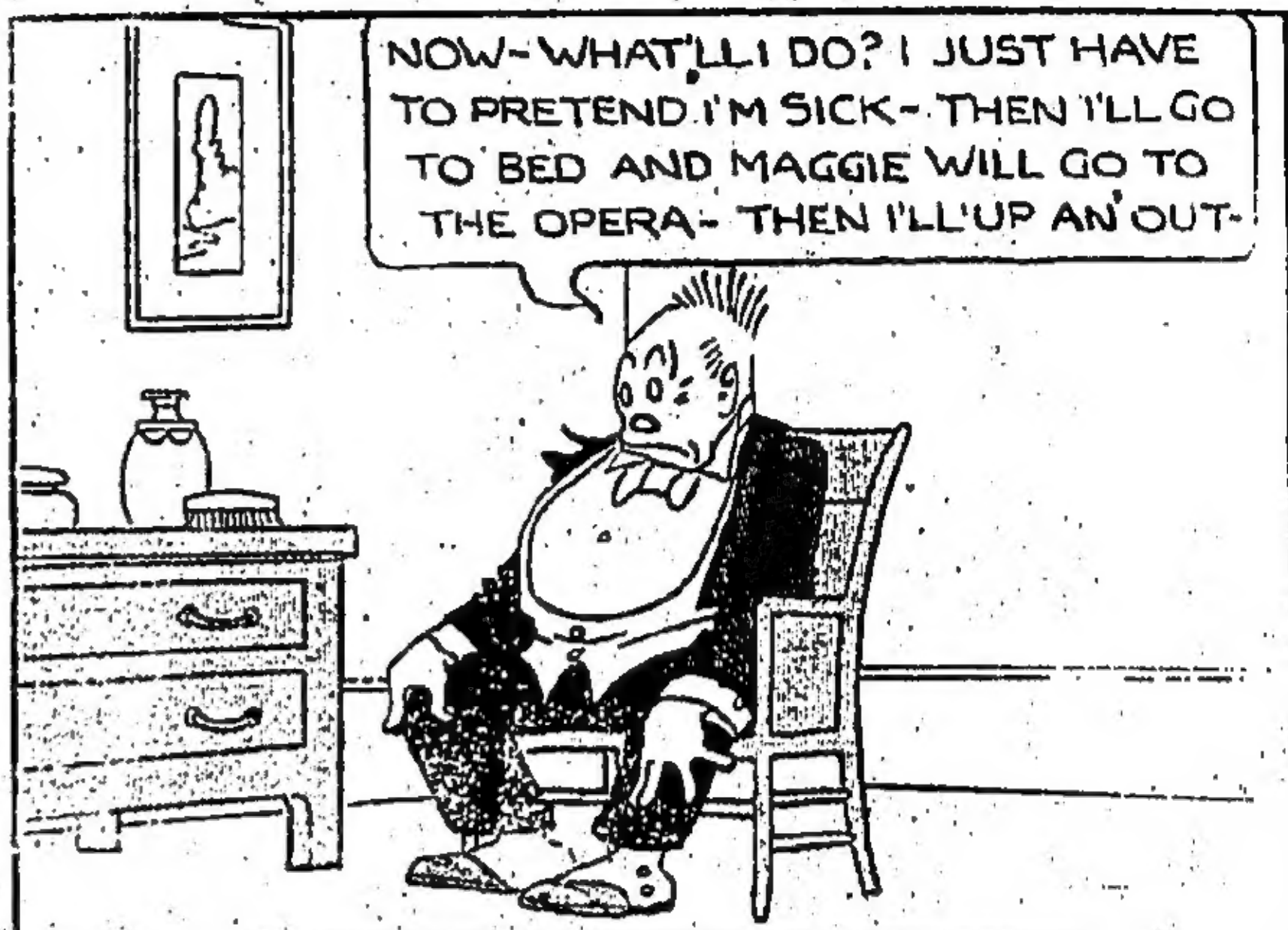
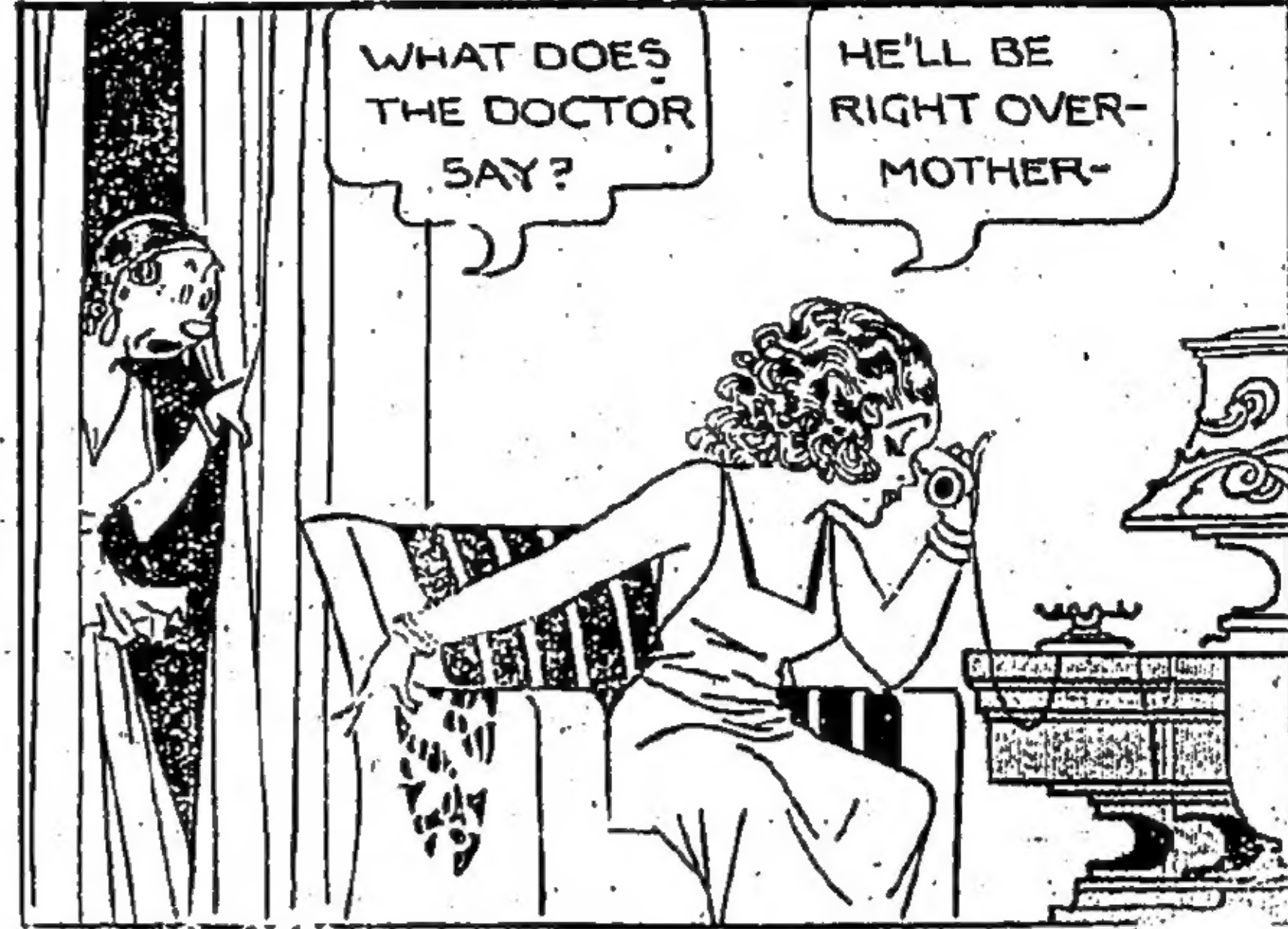
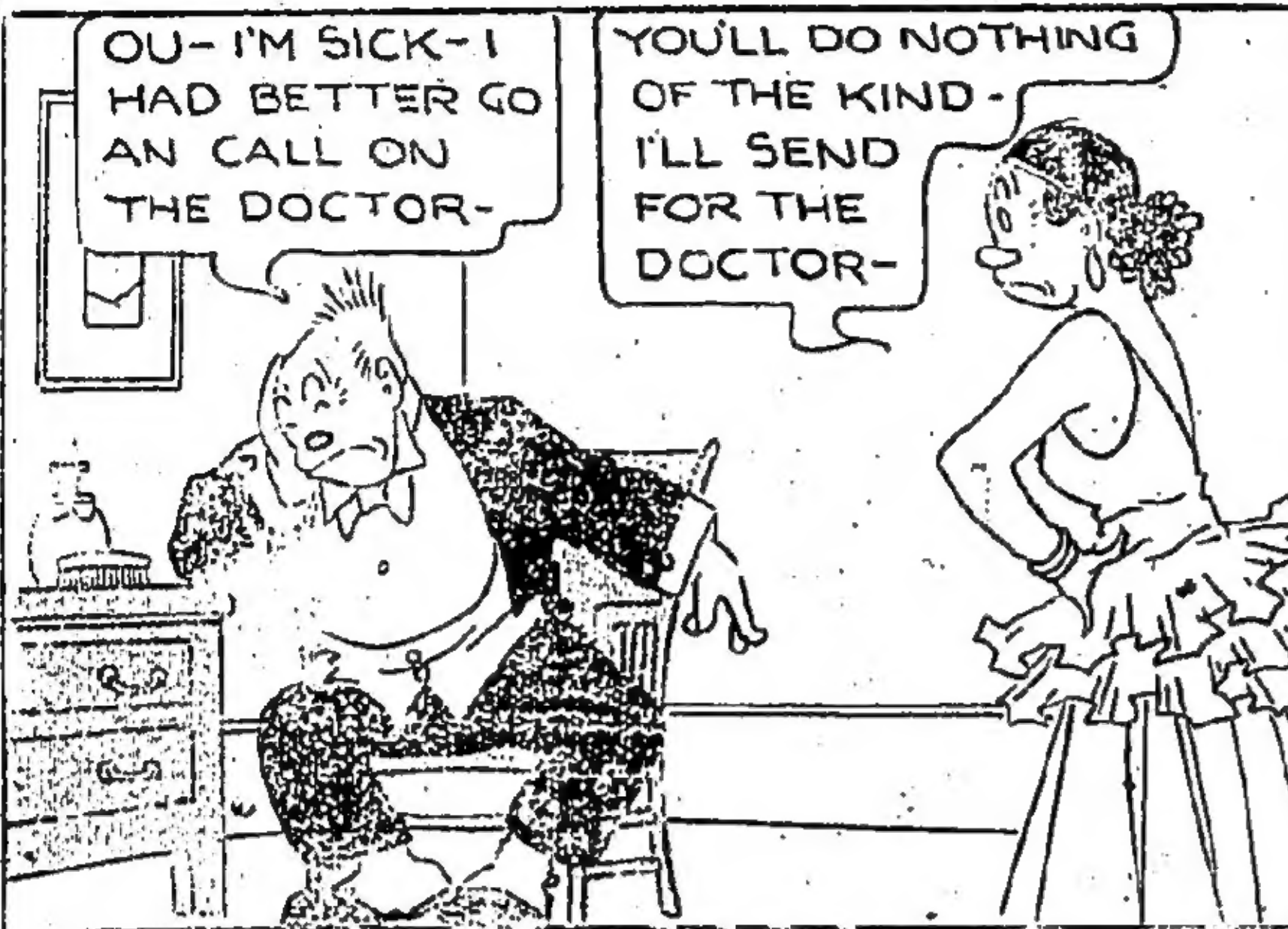
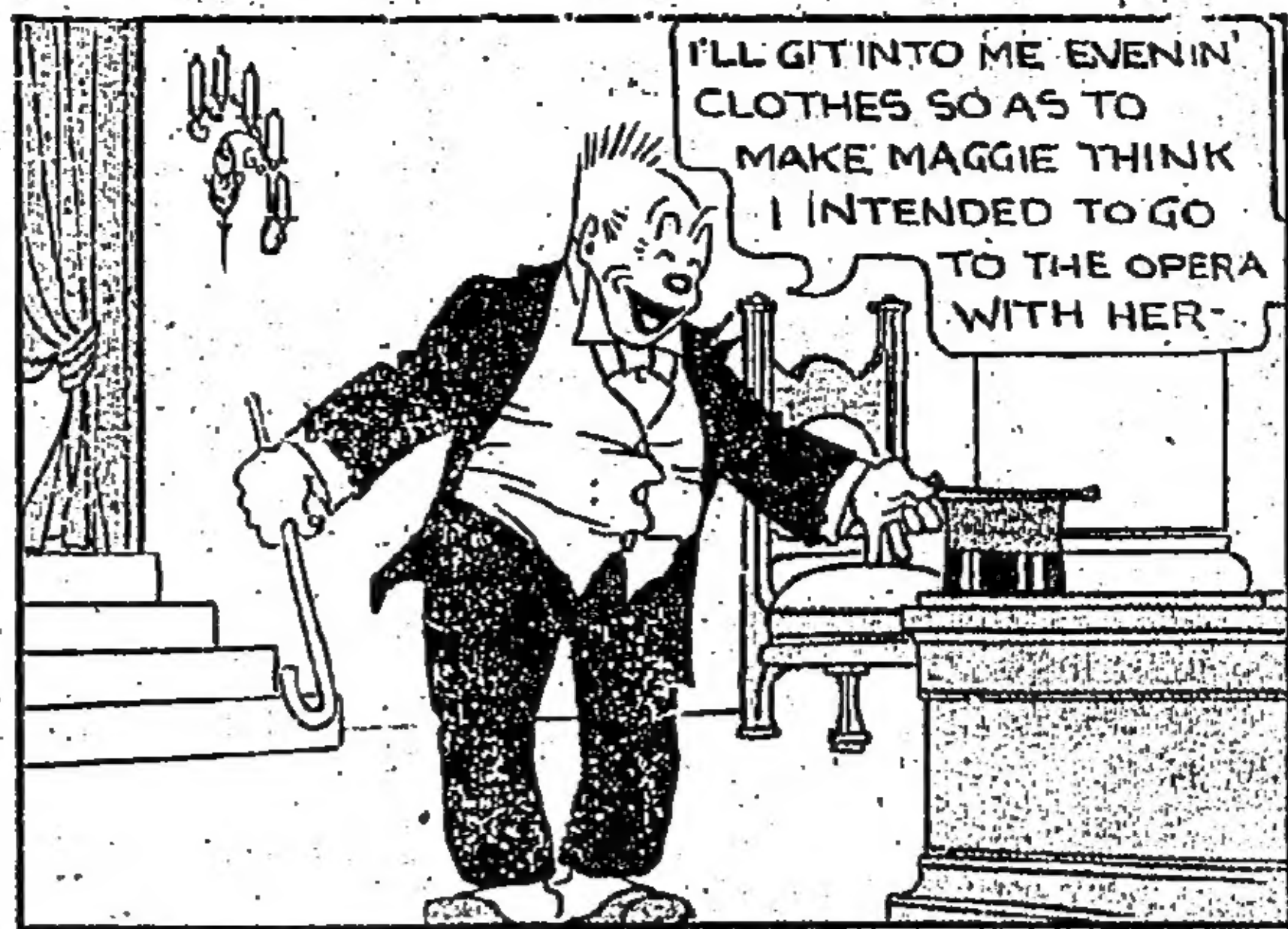


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ROUND THE CAMP FIRE

(By Patrol Leader.)

His many friends will be glad to learn that the Commissioner (Rev. G. T. Waldegrave) is now out of hospital, fit and well again. He is Chaplain at the Seamen's Institute.

The second rally for Boy Scouts for the Prince of Wales Banner, provisionally fixed for to-day (Saturday) has been postponed. This step has been taken owing to the fact that many of the boys are either engaged with examinations or are on holiday.

Patrol Leader Alfred Abing, of the Catholic Group, was involved in an accident during the week. He was riding his bicycle along Waterloo Road, when a Chinese dog he knocked a Chinese down. The Chinese sustained only slight injuries to his left arm and finger. P. L. Abing made a report to the Police.

Scouts Wallace Henderson and Douglas Henderson distinguished

themselves at the Children's Sports held at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club last Saturday afternoon. Wallace gained a first, second and third place, and Douglas was similarly successful. Scout Edgar Hogbin also won a race.

The St. Andrew's Scout Troop team to play the Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Club "A" eleven at Happy Valley on the Naval ground at 3 p.m. to-day:—Mr. R. H. Wong, Patrol Leader; Wong, Scout Lee; Second J. Whyard, Mr. R. Dormer, A. N. Other; Second Mackay, Second Bond, Patrol Leader MacNider, Patrol Leader Woolley, Scout J. Henderson.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK.

There'll come a time some day
— "A Holborn Rover."

Paul Siple, the American Boy Scout who accompanied Admiral Byrd on his last Antarctic expedi-

tion, arrived yesterday in London on the American Trader in the course of a trip round the world.

When Admiral Byrd leads his next Antarctic expedition Siple will accompany him as a fully fledged biological scientist, as a result of his college studies since the last expedition when he virtually did the whole of the biological work of the trip besides giving service as a dog team trainer and driver. During that expedition he won the universal respect of the other members of the party. On his return home he wrote his experiences in "A Boy Scout with Byrd." He has just finished a new book, "Exploring at Home."

A new Boy Scout Troop at Depot Harbour, Ont., comprises boys of Indian, Italian, Czech, English, and French-Canadian and English-Canadian parentage.

When H. E. Major General Sandilands leaves the Colony at the end of this year, the Girl Guides as well as the Boy Scouts Association will be losing a truly great friend. The General's kindness in the furtherance of both movements has been well rewarded, for he is the proud possessor now of both the Boy Scouts and Girl Guides' Thanks Badge. It was on Monday last that His Excellency was presented with the Girl Guides' Thanks Badge. The presentation was made at the new headquarters, the San-

dilands Hut—a building which perpetuates his name in the Colony.

Lady Peel, President of the Girl Guides, was present at the ceremony, as well as the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., and Mrs. Southern, Colony Commissioner, as well as other officers. The Association chose a pleasant way to make the presentation, in that the girl guides making the presentation gained the honour by drawing a ticket from a ballot. The lucky girl was Madge Hein, of the Kowloon Troop, and she presented the Thanks Badge to the General.

In the absence of their captain, Mrs. Rose, Patrol Leader E. Barker took charge of the 2nd Kowloon Guides, who provided the Guard of Honour at the Bazaar of their school, the Diocesan Girls' School, held on last Saturday afternoon. The Company had a corner of their own where some interesting side shows were conducted by the girls. At the door the Troop flag was placed diagonally with the Union Jack.

The side shows included attempts to light 24 candles with one match (1) guessing the weight of two cakes and hitting apples strung up.

Helen Wong and Clara Kawaze have entered for the Health Badge this month. Others who are being examined for the same badge are Nancy Barker, Pansy Ho, Marjorie

Fisher, Mabel Churn and May O'Farrell.
Doris Fenton has entered for the Sportswomen Badge.

Badges Gained.

Proficiency badges gained by Guides and Guides in examinations held in November 1931 and May 1932 are as follows:—Ambulance 7, Artist 1, Athlete 17, Child Nurse 19, Cook (Chinese) 15, Cyclist 1, Domestic Service 12, Health 13, Homemaker 2, Knitter 30, Laundry 2, Life Saver 5, Needlewoman 17, Sick Nurse 21, Swimmer 1, Toy maker 7, and Writer 1.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

Ralphs Shield Competition.

Part 2, The concluding stage of the above competition will take place at King's College on Sunday December 18th, commencing at 10 a.m.

The Judges with Colonel Myles O.B.E., R.A.M.C., Lt.-Col. Remshaw R.A.M.C. and Major Anderson R.A.M.C.

Friends who are interested in the Brigade and its activities are kindly invited to witness the competition.



The Wendy Hut.

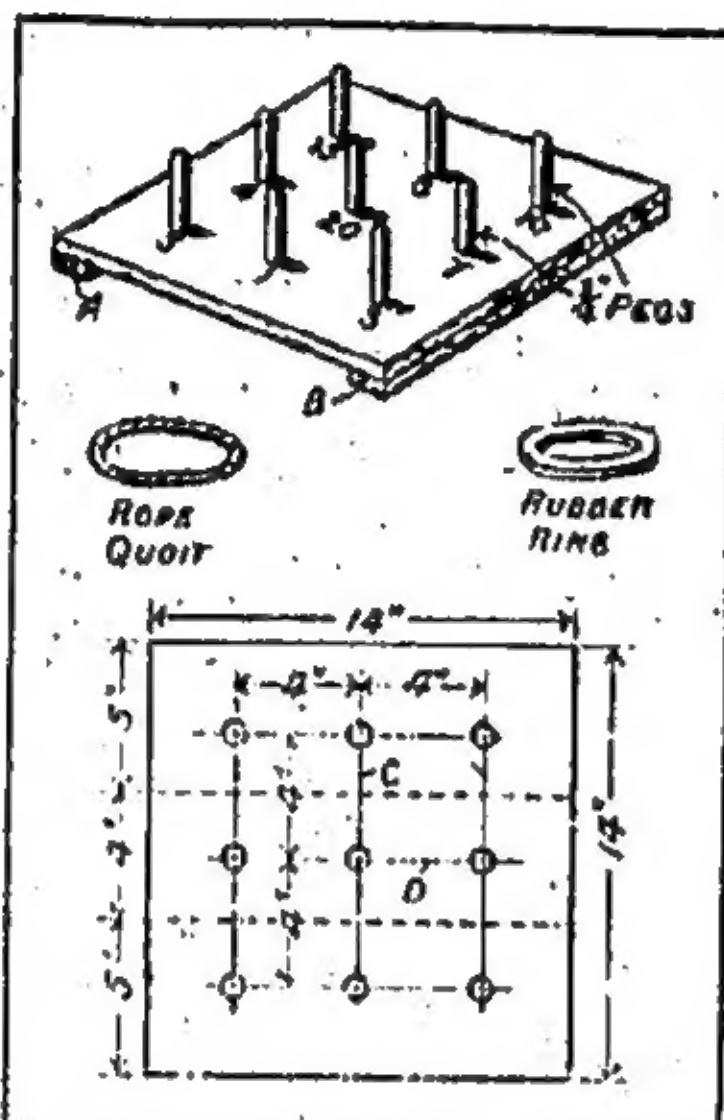
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ONE TRICK TOO MANY!

How to Make Parlour Quoits.

A jolly game to play indoors is Parlour Quoits, and the necessary board and pegs can easily be made from a few pieces of wood and a curtain rod.

Plane up two pieces of half-inch wood five inches wide, and another piece four inches wide, and saw all to a length of fourteen inches. Glue the long edges together, with the four-inch piece in the middle, then screw on the two battens A.B. These battens are fourteen inches long, and must be planed to a width of one-and-a-half inches and a thickness of half an inch.



If you study these sketches and read Carpenter's instructions, you'll easily be able to make a jolly parlour-quoits game.

To set out the positions of the peg holes, mark the two centre lines C.D. and on each side of them the parallel lines at a distance of four inches apart. Where the lines cross, make holes with a brace and bit. Now glue into the holes pieces of wooden curtain rod about five-eighths of an inch in diameter and four and a half inches long, and round the tops of the pegs with glasspaper. Paint the numbers on the board in front of the pegs for scoring purposes.

For the quoits, rubber rings about four inches in diameter can be used. Or you can make them from pieces of rope formed into rings of suitable size and bound with fine string. At least four quoits will be required.

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Before painting on the numbers, you can, if you like, give the board and pegs a coat of dark oak varnish stain. When this is quite dry, put in the numbers with white paint.

The Hut Carpenter.

closed by ice. For this reason alone, perhaps Leningrad is built, is frozen over for an average of 150 days in the year.

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"Winging here, bringing there, bundles of dreaming."

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Winging here, bringing there, bundles of dreaming,
To leave by the bea of each babe in the street.

So when light fades tonight, and stars come peeping,
See on the pillow they're waiting for you.
Children all, big and small, while you are sleeping
Goblins will play with you the long night through.

(Continued from previous column.) hanging down her back.

"What are you laughing at, my kind fellow?" sobbed the old woman. "Oh, a little bird in the hedge going 'peep, peep, peep,'" he giggled.

Then the old woman clapped her hands—that boy turned into a wren, and he says, "peep peep, peep" to this day. He played a trick once too often—and he never knew who the old woman was.



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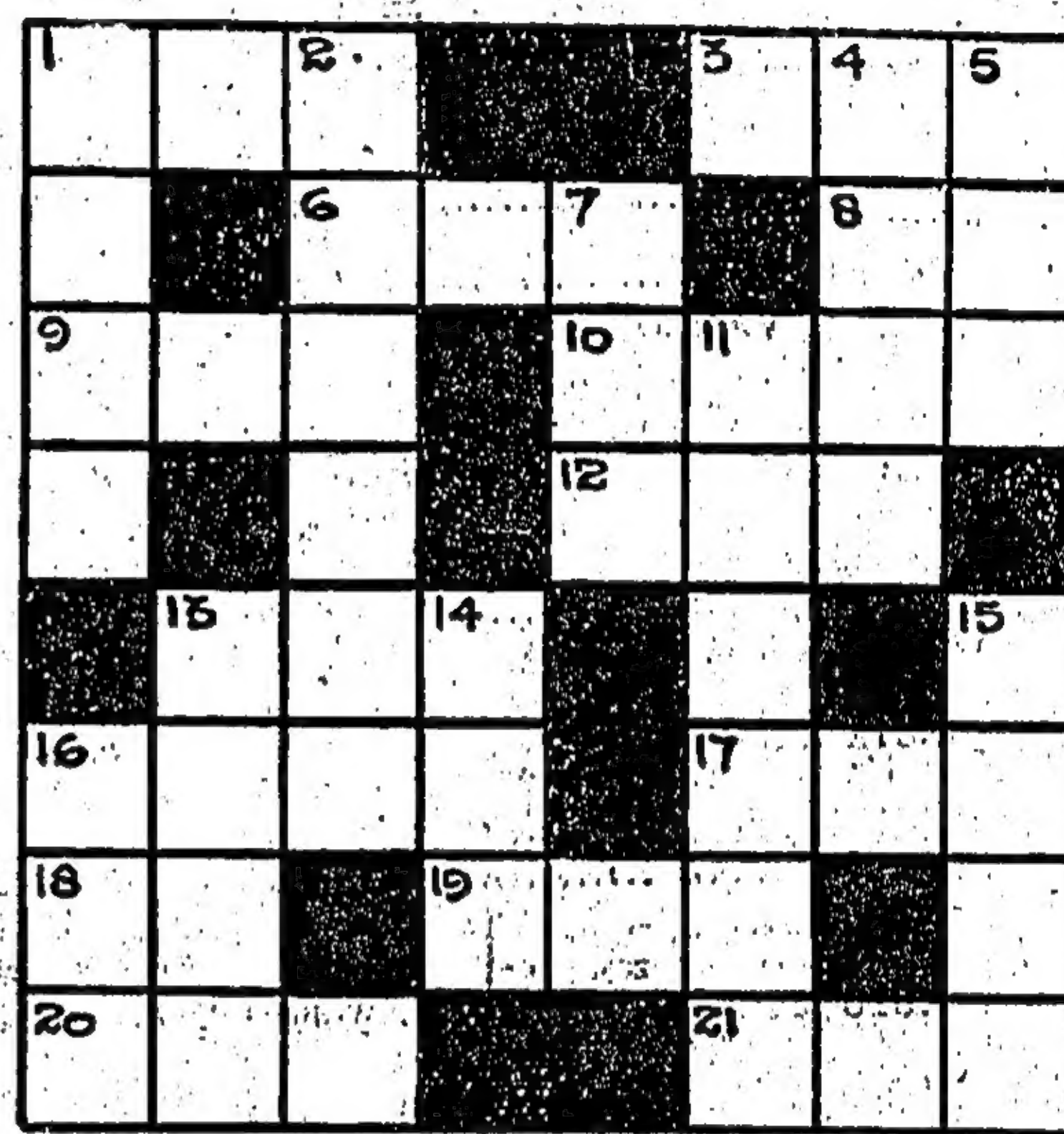
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TINK'S CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

Solution to last week's puzzle:—

- | Across. | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. A day of the week | (Tuesday). |
| 6. Serpent | (Boa). |
| 8. Wound | (Boa). |
| 11. 365 of No. 4 down | (Year). |
| 14. Boy's name (abbreviated) | (Sam). |
| 16. Where Noah lived | (Ark). |
| 17. Baby's cloak | (Pellisse). |
| 21. Opposite of No. 4 down | (Night). |
| 23. Pronoun | (Us). |
| 25. Number | (One). |
| 26. Indefinite article | (An). |
| 27. Mid-day | (Noon). |
| 28. Where No. 20 down sets | (West). |
| Down. | |
| 2. Flow back (tide). | (Ebb). |
| 3. Therefore | (So). |
| 4. Twenty-four hours | (Day). |
| 5. Animal | (Ass). |
| 7. Same as 16 across | (Ark). |
| 9. You turn it to get water | (Tap). |
| 10. End of a prayer | (Amen). |
| 12. Where No. 20 down rises | (East). |
| 13. Part of verb "to be" | (Are). |
| 15. Symbol | (Sign). |
| 18. Wild animal | (Lion). |
| 19. Another way of spelling "Show" | (Shew). |
| 20. The earth revolves around it | (Sun). |
| 22. Insect | (Ant). |
| 24. Same as No. 8 down | (So). |
| 26. Because | (As). |

Now here's one which will make you look at your Atlas a bit. Perhaps the Tinies will not be able to solve it, but the older boys and girls will enjoy doing it.



- | Across. | | Down. | |
|------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
| 1. Cry | | 1. Its capital is Bangkok | |
| 3. Boy's name (abbreviated) | | 2. Capital of Germany | |
| 6. And so on (Abbreviated) | | 4. Capital of Norway | |
| 8. Therefore | | 5. Lad | |
| 9. Atmosphere | | 7. Vehicle | |
| 10. A friend | | 11. Capital of Portugal | |
| 12. De Janeiro | | 13. Famous Italian city | |
| 13. A bone | | 14. Wager | |
| 16. No. 13 across is one | | 15. Sea that sounds 'lifeless | |
| 17. Gathers honey | | 16. of Biscay | |
| 18. Part of verb 'to be' | | | |
| 19. Also | | | |
| 20. Still | | | |
| 21. Boy's name (abbreviated) | | | |

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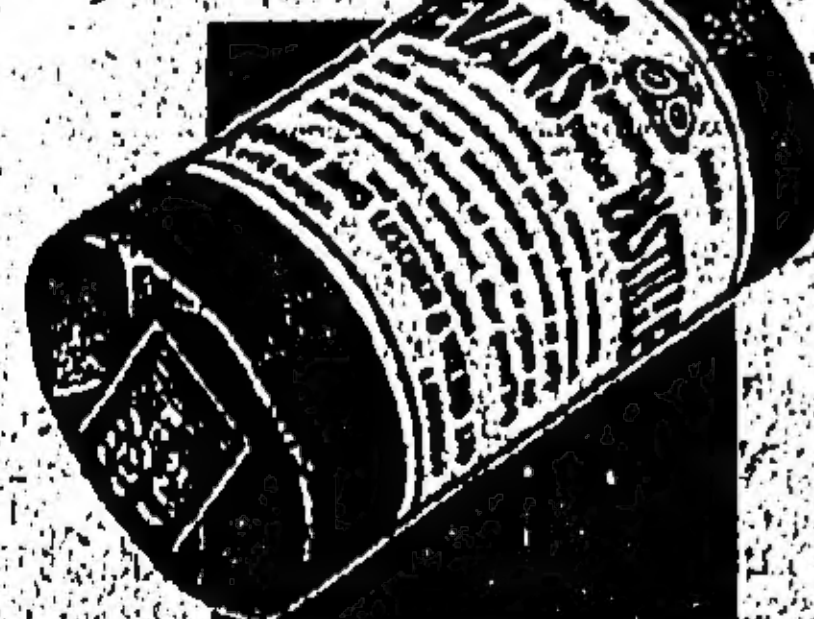
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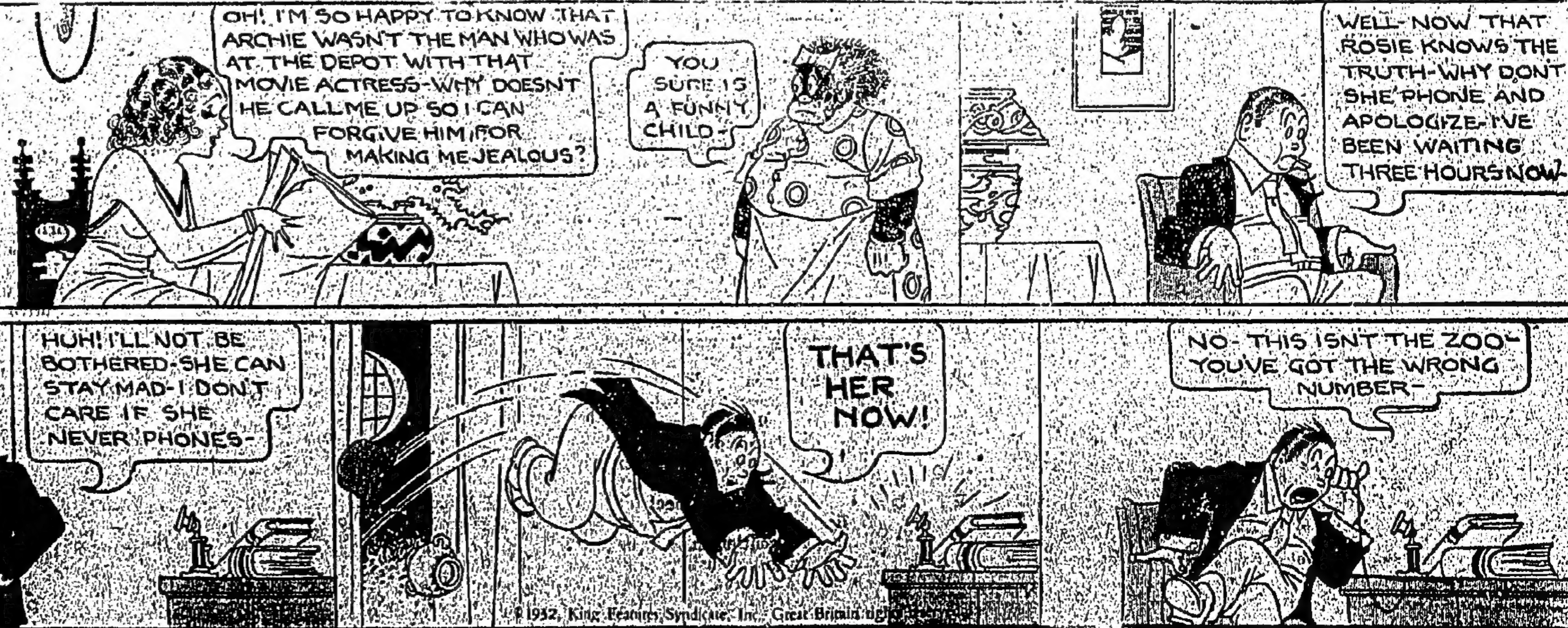
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THE WHEEL OF TIME

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Yet Mrs. Cnewth was a warm one. She had duna-many spade guineas tucked away in her stocking and, Three Chimney Cottage was a mellow house—plenty to eat and drink, and blankets to every bed. She had some grand furniture, too; bought in from big houses that had been sold up. But Emma turned up her nose at all these riches, and so did Nic when he went to live at Three Chimney. Emma called it a tedious, dark, low place, and said the grand furniture was ugly, and with nothing dential about it.

When Mrs. Cnewth died, six months after Hosea, nobody was surprised to hear that Nic and Emma were going to give the go-by to Pennyhill. Nic sold the saddle to his uncle, Eb Rewell, and what Emma could not sell of her stuff she gave away to her relatives. She said it would be outlandish in a smart, modish place like Newington Butts, London, where they were going.

They left in the spring, taking the stage wagon to Stripe and then tempting providence by riding in the open truck of a third-class team-railway carriage all the way to London. Pennyhill had several letters from them. Nic told how he had obtained an important position in a harness factory, where every single thing was done by these marvellous go-ahead steam engines.

They had a fine house near the celebrated Elephant and Castle posting house, which, as everyone knew was as near the centre of the great universe as one could wish to be. It was also plain that they lived amid the flower of fashion, for they went quite often to the Royal Circus, and sometimes to Astley's. They had also travelled in the Margate Hoy, and produced a son called Wellesley, after the Duke of Wellington.

Letters soon stopped coming, however, for living in the whirl of gaiety and progress as they did, Nic and Emma had no thoughts to spare for Pennyhill.

Wellesley Rewell had always made it plain that he considered Holloway narrowing. It was, however, only when Mr. Dierail made Her Most Gracious Majesty Empress of India that his thoughts seemed to grow actively imperial, and he decided to move from the "horrible place. Alexandria, his wife, readily agreed. She had never thought Holloway genteel.

Of course, as she pointed out to Wellesley, it had served its purpose. It was infinitely superior to Newington Butts, for one thing. For another, she hadn't the shadow of a doubt that never in their lives could they have persuaded old Mr. Nicodemus to move to a more gentlemanlike suburb, even if it would have been wise. Alexandria coughed in a refined way and looked down her nose at the chaste dolly she was manufacturing from red and green Berlin wool as she spoke the last sentence.

Wellesley immediately said, with dignity, that his dear Alexandria must remember that his late lamented father had been no ordinary man. He had been a man of exceptional talent; one of our merchant princes, in fact. Such a man was not to be bound by ordinary rules. He went on to point out—as he did far too often for Alexandria's taste—the uncommon brilliance of old Nic Rewell. Few men, he avowed, could have thought of the epoch-making plan of adding a little common treacle to boot blacking, and so brought the wonders of a glossy polish into the world.

Old Nic Rewell had done no less than that, and he had also done more. He had had the amazing idea of serving up solid cakes of blacking in brightly printed, grease-proof paper instead of in bottles. By thus cheapening the cost he had placed a sound and excellent article within the means of the very poorest. He had gone from flight to flight. He had called his commodity "Black Star" blacking, and by so doing arrested the attention of the very thousands he wished to serve. By those transactions of genius he had revolutionized the blacking industry. It wasn't even too much to say that he had inaugurated a polish era.

Alexandrina listened with all the meek and ruthless patience of a woman of the mid-Victorian age. She protested sweetly that her dearest Wellesley had mistaken her meaning. She had every respect for dear Wellesley's father. He was one of nature's gentlemen, and he had left them a great business and a comfortable fortune. At the

same time it was only fair to mention that at times the best one could say of him was that he was a rough diamond.

Wellesley admitted reluctantly that old Nic had not been quite the class that his fortune and position in the city demanded.

"I misdoubt if he had any real eddication," he said; "not eddication like what we call eddication. 'E always was pratty close about 'is young days. So was rra. But from what they let drop I think they come up from some small country village. But they never talked of it—never!"

"They may have had good reason," said Alexandrina, significantly. "Some things are best not inquired into too deeply."

Wellesley Rewell was in complete sympathy with her there. When he said there was nothing like leather, and spoke of his family's lifelong connection with it, he avoided mentioning the fact that his father's first interest in it was as a labourer in a harness factory. Alexandrina had similar reticences about her forbears.

She had lived in Lambeth before she married her, and her father had been chief clerk to a hop factory in the borough. He spoke with a queer burring accent, but his wife and daughter always sent him out to clean up the back yard when he began to talk about the days of his youth. Well, perhaps it was best to leave certain things alone, especially when one was rising in one's station.

Easier to turn from such things to read Holloway. There was no doubt they must leave Holloway. It was a pettifoggery and inelegant sort of place. There was no class about it. A man couldn't expand here. When Mr. Munson suggested that with its regular rows of terraces it was as neat a suburb as you could see in a day's journey, Wellesley scoffed violently. There was nothing artistic about bricks 'n' mortar done in rows, he said. The mere sight of the terraces gave 'im the 'ump. An' they just 'bout stifled him, too, crowding in on top of him and robbing him of 'is liveliness. A man couldn't make the best of 'iself in a place like this. He was cramped.

Alexandrina had the same feelings. She wanted a place where there was a more elevated society, where there was more style, where people had real conversation. Where one could be really ladylike and have intellectual friends, where one was not cramped up in a really vulgar little house. Mrs. Dill said that she thought the Rewells had quite the sweetest house in Holloway, and such lovely furniture and in such good taste.

Alexandrina called it a poky, stuffy hole, not large enough to swing a cat in. As for the furniture, it was gimcrack. Dear Wellesley's ma had had a habit of collecting such stuff. Of course she could say nothing while the old gentleman was alive, but now that he was gone she saw no reason why she should have to endure it.

And she did not. In due course the Rewells shook the dust of Holloway from their feet and, tamping Providence, went to live at Hampstead. They had a fine house there and a very select circle of friends, Holloway learned by letter. Albertina Rewell, the daughter, was almost good at archery and cut such a pretty figure on the croquet lawn; while their son and heir, Benjamin Wellesley Rewell, was riding one of these new-fangled bicycles and going to college for the sons of business gentlemen.

Letters soon stopped coming, for living in a whirl of spelling bees and routs, and so forth, Wellesley and Alexandrina had very little time to spare for Holloway.

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He was just getting over his awe of Notting Hill when Mafeking Day arrived and proved fatal to him. He told his son that he had got caught up by the crowds, accidentally. He thought his low taste for luncheon was responsible. Whatever the reason, an old man cannot stay out shouting and throwing himself about until four in the morning with impunity, and Wellesley Rewell did not. His funeral took place a fortnight later.

Albertina Wellesley Rewell, his daughter, Benjamin Wellesley Rewell, his son, and, Mrs. Dill, his wife, sat themselves down in the drawing room of the Notting Hill House after

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THE WHEEL OF TIME.

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the funeral with faces expressive of
the cultured horror they felt for their
surroundings. Benjamin Wellesley-
Rewell said:—

"I thought you would fall in love
with us, Sis. There's no object 't all
in being mixed up with trade, and it's
not the nicest thing for one's friends
to know, y' know. And there's no
need for it. I've talked it over with
Brief and Offerton, and they tell me
there will be no difficulty in selling
our holdings in Black Star. That and
our investments will give us all the
cash we'll ever need, and more.
We've got to think of our children's
interests, too."

Benjamin Wellesley-Rewell had one
child, Peter, aged four months. Al-
bertina was unmarried and meant to
remain so. She was fermenting even
then with the germs of that move-
ment that was later to carry her to
fame and glory for window-smashing.
"I shall be glad of all I can get
for the cause," she said darkly.
"What will you do—move into this
house?"

"Good heavens, are you cracked,
Bertie?" gasped her brother indignantly.
"Do you think we live in
Nothing Hill from choice? It was bad
enough living out in the theatre, where
the old man wanted us to be near
him, but now that he has gone we
can escape. I've just about had
enough of this pocket of suburbia."
"It is rather circumscribed," said
Albertina. "Can't stomach the place,"
Benjamin growled. "Impossible for
anybody to live here. In fact, it
isn't living; it's the existence of cab-
bages and crows. Can't ask any de-
cent people along, of course, can't
make anything of oneself. As for the
children, they'll have no chance 'tall.
An address like this will simply cramp
their careers."

"Where do you think of going?" asked
Albertina.

"Oh, I've fixed on a very decent
little place just behind Knightsbridge.
Not large, but all we want, just handy
for my club and the theatre, where
people of our sort can drop in."

"Will you be taking any of father's
furniture? You know I'll want none
of it, Ben."
"My dear, its antediluvian," cried
Marion. "It makes me shudder every
time I look at it. Pictures by Fifth
and chairs by William Morris—if it
was William. How anybody could
ever be so lacking in taste I don't
know."

"Well, you know," said Benjamin
Wellesley-Rewell, "the governor was
practically self-made. As far as I re-
collect, his beginnings go back into
darkness beyond Hampstead. He did not
talk much—wisely, no doubt—but you
can see from the local exhibits that
his schooling left a lot to be desired.
But he would cling to the stuff
—you know how these old stick-in-
the-mud cleave to their prejudices."

"Well, we don't have to," shuddered
Marion. "We'll scrap the lot, if
you are agreeable, Bertie. I intend
to have the Knightsbridge house done
over by a good firm. They'll do it
quickly and in taste. The sooner
we're away from this stodge and con-
ventional neighbourhood the better."

A sports model roared to a stop
outside a block of studios in Chelsea.
Its horn blared four long and four
shorts. That meant "I'm hopping up,
old bean."

Fam Wellesley-Rewell lifted the
cocks of the gas-ring, went to the
door and opened it. He did not wait
to greet his visitor, but drifted to a
cigarette box and -chose a gasper.
Two minutes later a dark, wiry, ve-
hement young man, in grey-fannel shirt
and collar and other garments to
match, lounged in through the door.

"Thought it was you murrur," said
Fam, returning to her cocoa. "What's
been obliterating your last week's
Pecor?"

"Oh, I've been round and about,"
said Peter Wellesley-Rewell in his
carefully bored manner.

"Father's inclined to fly the storm
cone," said his sister.

"What's biting our noble K.B.E.
now?" he asked indifferently. He
found a slab of cheese in the kitchen-
ette, broke off a portion and began munch-
ing it. He also found a cherry cake
and munched a slice of that at the same
time.

"It's down with a rush of parent-
hood to the head," grinned the girl.
"We're both of us symptoms of the
unrest and instability of the age. It's
time we taunted our suspenders and
showed the Reds what sterling stuff
the ruling class is made of. You,
for instance, are to return home and
exhibit yourself as a working model
of what the heir to a million should
be."

"Quaint old bird!" said Peter. "Do
these Victorians never learn?"

"It's serious this time, old thing,"
said the girl. "He's decided that it's
time we justified our existences. He
will not endure my cubes or have you
drifting about the country at a loose
end."

"As a parent he's got a nerve," said
Peter. "He went somersault to the win-
dow and flung it open with the gesture
proper to a young man of the Noel
Goward disposition."

"Live in that Buffet-Byzantine tomb
My hat!"

"Amid Whistlers and G. F. Watts.
Gruesome, isn't it? But that's the
great idea."

"Not on his life, or mine," said Peter
savage, and he shook his fist to-
wards the King's-road. "I'm finished
with this festering heap of ruble.
I'm clearing out."

"Another new destiny!" said Peter
smoothing her Rion crop without ex-
citement.

"It's the real thing this time," he
said passionately. "I'm getting out of
this swamp, this delirium of houses,
solid and ugly and glorious."
"Peter, if you could only buy the
furniture!"

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INWARD MAILS.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17.	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seat- tle, Nov. 26.)	Pres. Jefferson
Shanghai and Swatow	Soochow
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19.	
Manila	President Lincoln
Straits	Machao
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20.	
Shanghai	Sarpedon
Shanghai	Chenonceaux
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21.	
Saigon	Athos II
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Van- couver B.C., December 8)	Empress of Asia
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22.	
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Straits	Mennon
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23.	
Straits	Hakone Maru
Japan and Shanghai	Katori Maru
Japan	Atsuta Maru
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, Nov. 25.)	Pres. Monroe

OUTWARD MAILS.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17.	
Amoy and Japan	Talma 2.30 p.m.
Soochow	Hulchow 5 p.m.
Manila	President Jefferson 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18.	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Hollas 9 a.m.
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19.	
Bangkok via Swatow	Kolgan 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea 3 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Change (Due Thursday Island, Dec. 31). Parcels Dec. 19, 5 p.m. Registration Dec. 20, 9.45 p.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20.	
Batavia	Tjikarang 10 a.m.
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K.P.O.	
Letters 11 a.m.	Registrations Dec. 20, 11.30 a.m.
Registrations Dec. 20, 11 a.m.	Letters Noon
Fort Bayard, Holhow, Pakhot and Halphong	Tonkin 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hatching 1 p.m.

*Superscribed Correspondence-only.

self in this welter of browbeating
streets—the dirt, the muck, the stiffs
and din of it all.

"You sound like a grim-acing with
the Georgian poets," she said.

"I mean it this time, old thing.
I'm fed to the teeth with town. It's
not living—this ant swarm. Rushing
round doing nothing at top speed. Silly
little cliques with their silly little
piques. The crowding in and their
silly little piques. The crowding in
and stagnation of the whole mass.
The hideousness of it all. I'm just
about cramped, choked, stifled here.
One can't do anything in a place like
this. I can't realise myself."

Pam grinning at him, said coolly,
"The passionate intensity of his ut-
terance left the beautiful girl breath-
less, while intriguing her enormously.
She waited spellbound for him to tell
his plan."

"What's the next verse,
Peter? Get a move on."

"I've found the way out—that's all,"
he grinned.

"Honest?"

"Sure," he grinned; "or as they say
down there—surely."

"Down where?"

"In Sussex; little place I've found."
"Don't stall on it," she cried. "Open
out. I suspect I'm going to be excited
about this."

"It's a little place called Pennyhill,"
said Peter solemnly. "Little place,
tucked away under some perfectly
swaying hills—you never saw such
line of colour. There are some dusty
woods and little fields, and the village
is just about the same as when Noah
sighted it on his way to Ararat—
funny little wandering street of cot-
tages built of ironstone, untouched by
time and scarcely dusted by char-
bancs. It's the one spot of spots one
prays for these days, but it's true,
and it's there."

"Yes, and what are you going to do
with it?" asked Pam, with a thrill in
her voice.

"I'm going to live there for ever," he
said decisively.

"But the R.B.E.," she began.

"Can't help his troubles. I'm stay-
ing for keeps in Pennyhill. Fact, I've
bought a cottage there. It's a gem of
a place called Three Chimneys."

"How utterly divine!" gasped Pam.
"Yes, gorgeous name, isn't it? The
house is to match, too. All low cell-
ings and oak beams, dark angles and
stairs tucked away in cupboards. It
was owned by an amazing old dame
called Chewth."

"Is there such a name?" cried Pam.
"A heap of it, apparently," grinned
the enthusiastic Peter. "Chewth means
to be one of the ancient families of
Pennyhill. The Chewths have owned
Three Chimneys for hundreds of
years—and the furniture is it. Fur-
niture, my dear—you ought to see it!
All George and William IV. stuff."

"Peter, if you could only buy the
furniture!"

"I've got it," he grinned, triumph-
antly. "Bought it for a song. Dame
Chewth's niece—she's going to live
with them—consider it lamentable
old-fashioned, so I took it off them at
a charity price. So there I am—with
the house and furniture of one's dreams
set down in the one livable village in
the kingdom."

"And what are you going to do
there?" asked Pam.

"Leather work," he said exultantly.
"You know my ideals. Craftman-
ship leather goods; honest hand-
wrought leather to show the world what
was lost when we discarded the labour
of individual craftsmen for cheap-
jack, machine-made, mass-production
stuff. Sheila will join me and one or
two others. We're going to set up an
old-era colony of artist workers. Per-
haps we'll bring back an age of country
industries. Who knows? Don't you
think it a top-hole idea, Pam?"

"Gorgeous," she giggled. "Come,
isn't it, though?—the heir of Sir
Benjamin Wellesley-Rewell, interna-
tional financier, cutting his glories for
the village cobbler's last."

"It is the rebellion of youth against
too much civilisation and old-family
convention . . . and, by the way, it's
queer that you should mention the cob-
bler's last. The village saddler and
boot-maker of Pennyhill is—who do you
think—a certain Hosea Rowell."

"Good Lord," she cried. "How
perfectly droll! I wonder if he is any
connection?"

"No hope of that," said Peter Wel-
lesley-Rewell airily. "We've been
Cockneys since the beginning of time."

THE END.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

The following unclaimed tele-
grams are lying at the office of the
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Hotel, from Kyoto.

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F. V. JENSEN,
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Hong Kong, December 7, 1932.

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H.M.S. Suffolk returned from fleet exercises yesterday evening.

WETS CONTINUE EFFORTS FOR MODIFICATION.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Although himself a dry, General Mitchell urged this course to prevent public disrespect for law.

He said the changes should be made through an amendment or a substantive law, not leaving the laws as they exist on the statute books and then refusing to appropriate enforcement money.

The recommendations were considered significant, as Mitchell has long been an ardent prohibitionist, and were expected to prove a useful tool in the hands of the "Wets."

Correspondence.

BRITISH FILMS.

[To the Editor, "China Mail."] Sir,—I think the management of the Central Theatre deserve to be congratulated both on the provision of such delightful entertainment as that contained in "A Night Like This," and also on the wonderful improvement they have effected in the music and speech reproduction, which in the opinion of writer is now second to none in the Colony.

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Sincerely yours, H. W.

THE S.P.C.A.

[To the Editor, "China Mail."] Sir,—May I, through the medium of your columns thank, on behalf of the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, all those who have so kindly subscribed to the funds of the Society. At the same time I wish to apologise for the delay, due to pressure of work on the part of our Treasurer, in publishing a list of friends who have subscribed; this list will be given at an early date.

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Accused was remanded for a week, his Worship granting bail in the sum of \$1,500.

services rendered by all the Ladies who kindly undertook the task of visiting the various offices, etc. in order to collect subscriptions. This work commands the thanks of all members of the Community interested in the welfare of animals.

The Society in the Colony is being carried on quietly but surely by members who give their time and energy to the task and, as much help is required, I would commend our work to all your readers.

Thanking you for granting me space,

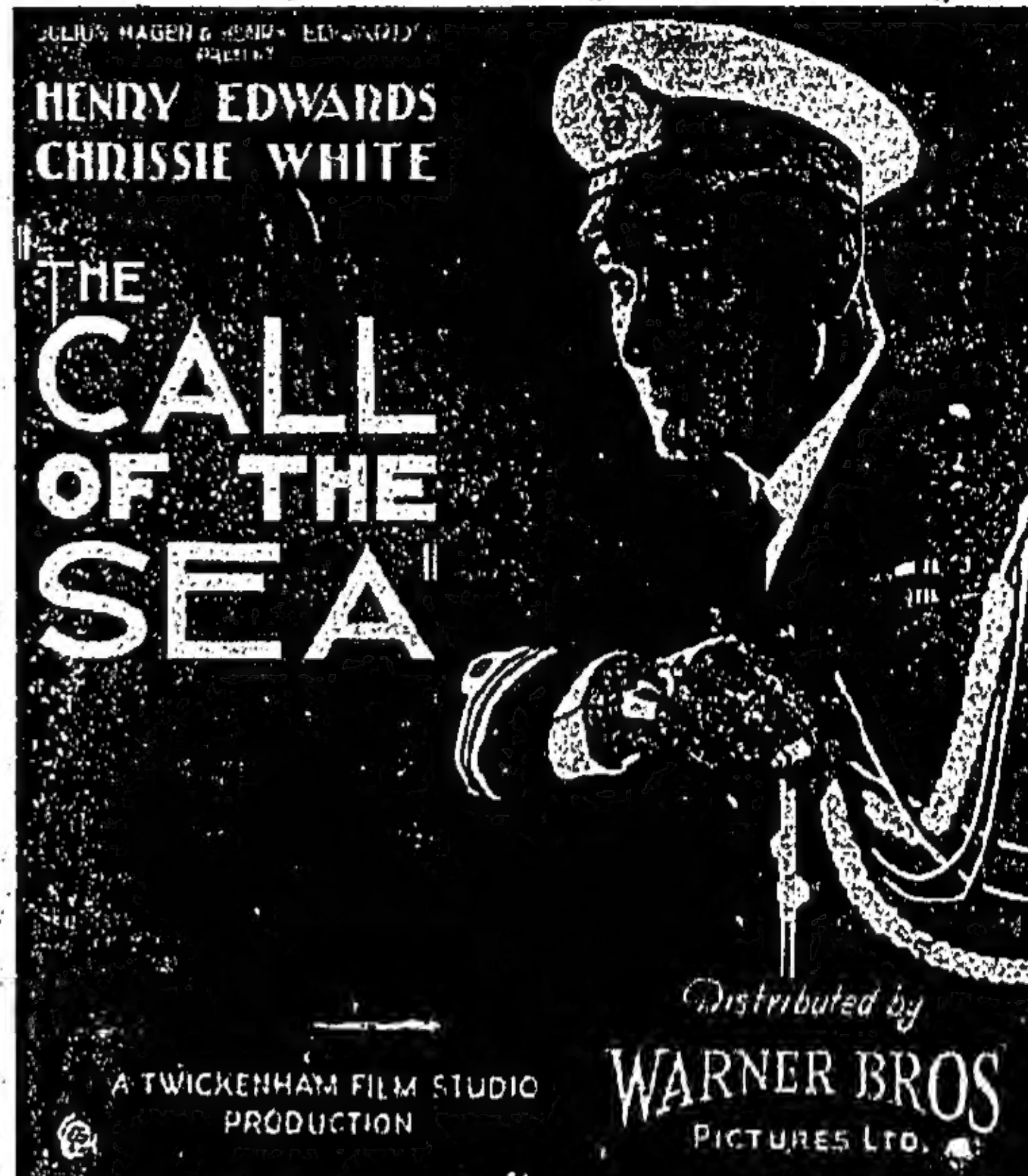
Yours faithfully, J. RUSSELL,

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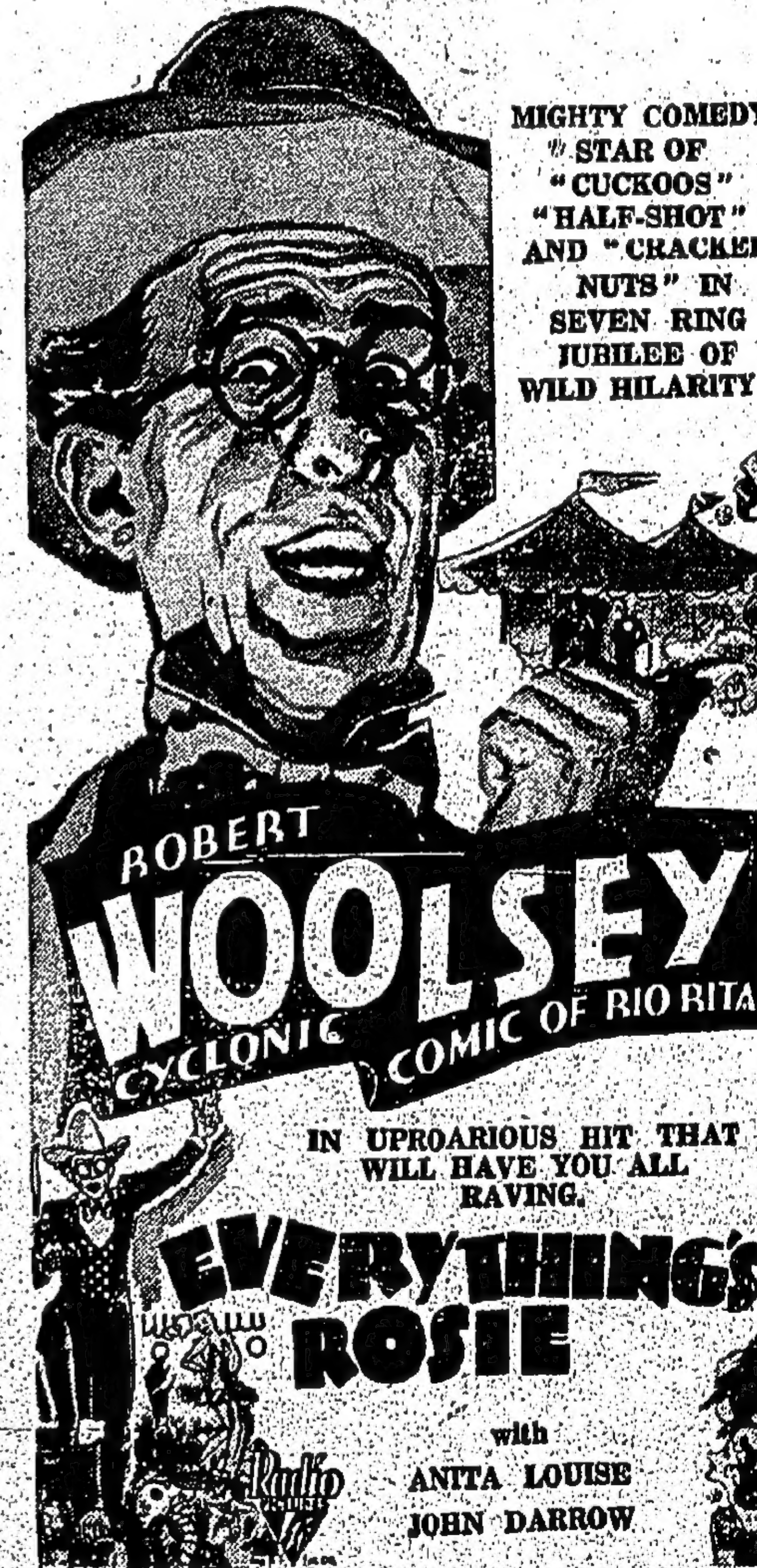
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